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Extra forces have been called onto the streets in advance of the end of the month. Left top: bers of the Iraqi Civil ense Corps divert traffic in zhdad on Saturday.

nwhile, American troops are preparing to step back and let Iragi forces do more security ork. Left: A soldier from the nnany R. 20th Engineers 1-12, 1st Cavalry Division con could be used to protect himself in case of a biological or chemical attack hidden in his home.

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Detroit fireworks shooting: The man who police believe shot nine people during a downtown fireworks show was ordered held on \$100 million bond as officials searched for a second

Police said the shootings apparently followed an argument, and innocent people were caught in the crossfire. Three victims remained hospitalized Saturday, including one who was in critical but stable condition with a bullet wound to his heart.

The attack occurred Wednesday during an annual fireworks show that had drawn hundreds of thousands downtown and along the Detroit River that runs between the city and Windsor, Ontario.

Airport background checks: A select group of frequent fliers is getting a chance to bypass extra security inspections at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, but to do that they must submit to background checks in advance.

On Monday, Minnesota's largest airport becomes the first in the country to start signing up a hand-picked group of people for a 90-day pilot program for the Transpor-

tation Security Administration Only frequent fliers contacted by Northwest Airlines are eligible. Northwest snokesman Thomas Becher said 1,600 people had expressed interest as of Friday, and only 30

of those contacted were not interested. World

Iran nuclear program: Iran said Sunday it is committed to its suspension of uranium enrichment but plans to resume building centrifuges in response to censures from the U.N. nuclear watchdog over its nuclear program.

The head of the International Atomic Energy Agency said he hopes Iran will reverse its decision, a setback in international attempts to resolve the standoff with Tehran over its program.

Earlier Sunday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Hamid Reza Asefi said Iran has informed the IAEA and the governments of Britain, Germany and France that it would resume building centrifuges on Tuesday.

West Bank violence: A Palestinian militant group pledged Sunday to unleash an "earthquake" of vengeance on Israel for killing seven fugitives, including the most wanted militant in the West Bank, during a raid in Nablus

Israeli troops found the militants after a gunman they were chasing through a house Saturday slipped into a secret underground tunnel where they were all hiding. The killing of the fugitives, from Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the Al Agsa Martyrs' Brigades. was the main goal of a three-day operation in Nablus, the army said

Shortly after the fugitives - including the Nablus Al Aqsa commander, Nayef Abu Sharkh - were killed, troops began withdrawing from the center of the city where they had been conducting they house-to-house searches for the militants.

Indonesian security: The governor of Indonesia's war-torn Aceh province claimed



Pakistan prime minister: Former Pakistani Prime Minister Zafarullah Khan Jamali, left, shakes hands with newly nominated prime minister Chaudhry Shujaat Hussain, right, after their meeting in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Sunday. Lawmakers will vote Tuesday for a new prime minister following the resignation of Jamali, a senior official told The Associated Press. Hussain is almost certain to win the vote and will take over in a caretaker role until political maneuvering allows respected Finance Minister Shaukat Aziz to assume the position.

Sunday that security was improving in the region, state news agency Antara reported, despite recent clashes that killed at least

nine alleged rebels Indonesian troops killed six suspected separatists on Friday. Three rebels were also shot dead Thursday, said local military spokesman Lt. Col. Asep Sapari.Rebel leaders were not available for comment. It is impossible to independently verify military claims about Aceh, because journalists are barred from most of the province.

Zimbabwe elections: Zimbabwe President Robert Mugabe's government has

agreed to adopt regionally accepted election standards - including translucent ballot boxes - in a bid to eliminate the need for western "imperialist" observers, a state newspaper has reported. Mugabe's

hand-nicked 26-member politburo agreed in special session to adopt election guide-

lines drawn up by the 14 member Southern Africa Development Community ahead of the March 2005 general elections, the state-run Herald newspaper reported.

The reforms were necessary because of "the intrusive behavior of the U.S. and [European Union), who often declare elections not free and fair when the results are not in their political interest," the newspaper quoted a politburo source as saving

Leaving the Middle East: South Korea urged its citizens on Sunday to leave Iraq and Saudi Arabia, citing expected instability in Iraq ahead of the transfer of sovereignty from the U.S. occupation authority there.

With the handover coming Wednesday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Shin Bong-kil said his government could not ensure the safety of citizens remaining in Iraq, according to South Korea's Yonhap news agency

The announcement comes just days after militants beheaded a South Korean in Iraq and on the heels of news that militants there have since kidnapped three Turkish men, making a similar death threat.

ian attack: The president of the Russian republic of Ingushetia on Sunday de nied that authorities had specific warning of the militants' attack that left at least 98 people dead, the Interfax news agency report-

Since the June 21-22 fighting that gripped Ingushetia's main city Nazran and other communities, there have been conflicting statements about how much authorities knew ahead of time and officials have debated how hundreds of heavily armed fighters could have mounted the tightly coordinated as-

saults. Two days after the attacks, an official of the regional Federal Security Service, Andrei Konin, was quoted as saving that they received information about movement of a large group of fighters some 30 minutes before the shooting broke out.

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Turkey rejects Iraqi kidnappers' demands

Small-arms fire kills one person on C-130 aircraft taking off from Baghdad

BY TAREK EL-TABLAWY The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Turkey rejected on Sunday the demands of Islantic in militants who are threatening to behead three of its kidnapped citizens during a visit by U.S. President Bush to Turkey. Insurgents hit a U.S. military transport plane with gunfire after it took off, killing one person.

The C-130 aircraft had just departed Baghdad International Airport when it was hit by small arms fire. It returned to the airport and landed safely, but one person wounded in the shooting died, said U.S. Brig. Gen. Mark

Insurgents also launched a flury of attacks in Baghdad and in northern Iraq, where two Iraqis were killed. A rocket attack against a U.S. camp on the capital's outskirts killed a U.S. soldier, and a series of explosions Sunday evening killed two Iraqi children playing along the east bank of the Tigris river, the Interior Ministry said.

A volley of rockets also hit the Green Zone, the central Baghdad neighborhood used as the headquarters of the U.S. occupation, causing explosions but no casual-

The attacks came a day after a pair of car bombs hit the southern city of Hillah, killing around 20

With violence persisting, securiy measures have been increased around government buildings, power stations and oil installations in advance of Wednesday's transfer of sovereignty to a new Iraqi administration, an official in the Interior Ministry, speaking on condition of anonymity, said.

Followers of the most wanted Islamic militant in Iraq, Abu Musab al-Zargawi, announced



American soldiers guard an explosion site as a destroyed car is moved from the scene in the predominately Shitte city of Hillah, Iraq, on Sunday. Bomb explosions the night before killed dozens of people. The blasts, which occurred at about 8-45 p.m. Saturday, might have been caused by a pair of car bombs, an official said.

Saturday they had kidnapped three Turkish workers and threatened to behead them after 72 hours unless Turkish companies stop doing business with American forces in Iraq and called for protests in Turkey against Bush's

Bush met with Turkish leaders in Ankara on Sunday ahead of a NATO summit starting the next day. Some 40,000 people protested in street demonstrations in Istanbul against Bush, whose policies in Iraq have been extremely

unpopular among Turks. Turkey's defense minister said Ankara would not negotiate with the hostagetakers.

Secretary of State Colin Powell

said Sunday that the United States is doing all it can to locate and free the three Turks.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said the United States was not planning any immediate increase in troops to deal with the insurgency as a new Iraqi government takes power this week. He noted that the number of troops had already increased over the past three to four months from 113,000 to 141,000.

"We don't want to be an occupying power," he told the British Broadcasting Corp. "Breakfast with Frost" program from Istan-

"The Iraqi people are going to have to provide for the security of their country and they are well on the way to doing it."

Iraq's interim prime minister, Iyad Allawi, said his government wanted to try to split the insurgency by dividing less ideological members from the hardcore lead-

"We are drawing up plans to provide amnesty to Iraqis who supported the so-called resistance without committing crimes, while isolating the hardcore elements of terrorists and criminals and undercutting their base of support," Allawi wrote in an opinion article published Sunday in Britain's The Independent news-

Allawi said Saturday that vio-

lence could force the delay of national elections, a key part of U.S. efforts to bring democracy to Iraq, scheduled to take place by Jan. 31 under Iraq's interim con-

White House spokesman Scott McClellan said the United States "remains committed" to the January timetable.

The U.S. military has posted a \$10 million reward for help in capturing or killing al-Zarqawi, who is blamed for numerous bombings in Iraq and whose movement beheaded two previous hostages, an American and a South Korean

In northern Iraq on Sunday, attackers launched three mortar shells at the Mosul office of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, a pro-U.S. political party. One party member was killed and nine others were injured, includ-

Explosions were also heard early Sunday on the northern outskirts of the troubled city of Fallujah, west of the capital.

Residents said a U.S. Marine position was attacked by mortars and rocket-propelled grenades, but there was no confirmation from U.S. officials.

The bloodshed and the abductions threatened to cast a shadow over a NATO summit opening in Istanbul on Monday, where Bush is seeking the alliance's help in stabilizing Iraq.

The Arab television station Al-Jazera aired a video issued by al-Zarqawi's "Tawhid and Jihad" organization, showing the three Turks kneeling on the ground in front of two black-clottle gummen and a black banner emblazoned with the name of al-Zarqawi's organization. The men held up Turkish

A written statement said that if Turkey refused their demands the hostages "will receive the just punishment of being beheaded."

CIA puts harsh interrogation techniques on hold

BY DANA PRIEST

WASHINGTON — The CIA has suspended the use of extraordinary interrogation techniques approved by the White House pending a review by Justice Department and other administration lawyers, intelligence officials said.

The "enhanced interrogation techniques," as the CIA calls them, include feigned drowning and refusal of pain medication for injuries.

The tactics have been used to elicit intel-

ligence from al-Qaida leaders such as Abu Zubaida and Khalid Sheik Mohammed. Current and former CIA officers aware of the recent decision said the suspension

of the recent decision said the suspension reflects the CIA's Fears of being accused of unsanctioned and illegal activities, as it was in the 1970s. The decision applies to CIA detention facilities, such as those around the world where the agency is interrogating al-Qaida leaders and their supporters, but not military prisons at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and elsewhere.

"Everything's on hold," said a former se-

nior CIA official aware of the agency's deci-

until we sort out whether we are sure we're on legal ground." A CIA spokesman declined to comment on the issue.

CIA interrogations will continue but without the suspended techniques, which include feigning suffocation, "stress positions," light and noise bombardment, sleep deprivation, and making captives think they are being interrogated by another government.

the abuse scandal at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq, and is related to the White House decision, announced Tuesday, to review and rewrite sections of an Aug. 1, 2002, Justice Department opinion on interrogations that said torture might be justified in some cases.

Although the White House repudiated

The suspension is the latest fallout from

the memo Tuesday as the work of a small group of lawyers at the Justice Department, administration officials now confirm it was vetted by a larger number of officials, including lawyers at the National Security Council, the White House counsel's office and Vice President Dick Cheney's office.

The memorandum was drafted by the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel to help the CIA determine how aggressive its interrogators could be during sessions with suspected al-Qaida members. The legal opinion was signed by Jay S. Bybee, then head of the office and now a federal judge. Memos signed by the head of the office are given the weight of a binding legal coninon.

A Justice Department official said Tuesday at a briefing that the office went "beyond what was asked for," but other lawyers and administration officials said the meno was approved by the department's criminal division and by the office of Attorney General John D. Ashcrott. In addition, Timothy E. Flanigan — then

In addition, Immony E. Fianigan — then deputy White House counsel — discussed a draft of the document with lawyers at the Office of Legal Counsel before it was finalized, the officials said. David S. Addington, Cheney's counsel was particularly concerned, sources said, that the opinion include a clear-cut section on the president's authority.

That section of the memo has become among the most controversial within the legal community that has analyzed the opinion since it was made public by The Washington Post. During Tuesday's briefing, White House counsel Alberto R. Gonzales called the commander in chief section "unnecessary." The commander in chief section of the

opinion said laws prohibiting torture do "not apply to the President's detention and interrogation of enemy combatants" in his role as commander in chief.

Another element of the opinion criti-

cized by outside lawyers is that it defines torture as pain "equivalent in intensity to the pain accompanying serious physical injury, such as organ failure, impairment of bodily function, or even death." That standard would allow a variety of tactics that would be considered cruel and inhumane under international law, legal experts have said.

At a briefing Tuesday, Gonzales de-

clined to answer repeated questions about how the legal opinion, or the upcoming review of it, affected the CIA But, he added, "As far as I'm told, every interrogation technique that has been authorized throughout the government is lawful and does not constitute torture."

Staff writers John Mintz and Dan Eggen contributed to this report.

MIDEAST NOTEBOOK

Jessica Inigo and Charlie Coon

2 fallen are remembered

CAMP BAHARIA, Iraq — A memorial has been built at the 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion camp to remember Cpl. Scott M. Vincent, 21, of Bokoshe, Okla., and Cpl. Joshua

S. Wilfong, 22, of Walker, W.Va. The two scouts with 3rd Platoon died April 30 when a car rigged with a bomb pulled alongside their patrol as it was parked east of Fallujah near Abu Ghraib. At the time, the platoon was checking some artillery pieces that they had spotted along a

"I didn't know Wilfong too much, but I know he really liked his country music," said Lance Cpl. Ken Torok, 20, of Reading, Pa, also of 3rd Platoon. "Vinnie was a big Sooners football fan. I'd get on him when they lost, but he'd throw back in my face that Penn State didn't make it to a bowl this year."

The memorial is about 10 feet square and ringed with barbed wire and includes a white wooden cross, folded flag, two unopened cans of Budweiser N.A., and a can of pistachios, which, troops said, Vincent liked to munch on

A whopper first year

BAGHDAD — The Burger King at Baghdad International Airport marked its first anniversary on June 11 — and that first year was a busy one.

During the year, the staff at the Army and Air Force Exchange Service's fast-food franchise has flipped more than 1.2 million burgers, baked 240,000 apple pies, cooked 250,000 pounds of french fries and served 700,000 cans of soda, AAFES officials announced in a recent new release.

"Over 100 warehouse deliveries were made from Kuwait to Baghdad," AAFES vice president Richard Sheff said in the re-

Currently, AAFES oversees four Burger King and two Pizza Hut restaurants in Iraq.

No language barrier

KARBALA, Iraq — Troops with the Multinational Division Center South in Karbala are a mix of Polish, Thai and U.S. forces working together under Polish command.

On Camp Lima, rows of air-conditioned conexes used for sleeping are filled mainly with men and are like mini ethnic neighborhoods, with different cultures bleeding into one another at the borders. Troops from the different armies naturally mix together, learning new sport

class and lance corporals w igible.

Jibson and Pascua wer

skills or about differences in cul-

One thing all the troops have in common is a lack of female companionship. There are only a handful of women on Camp Lima and throughout the camps in Karbala, which makes them the target of stares and remarks.

Everyone becomes quiet and all eyes go up when a woman enters any tent or room on Camp Lima for the first time. Then comes the barrage of "hellos" in every language present.

Marines honored

CAMP BAHARIA, Iraq — Two Marines from Company D, 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, won regiment-level awards last week.

Sgt. Richard Jibson, of Muskegon, Mich., was selected as noncommissioned officer of the quarter for the Camp Fallujah-based Regimental Combat Team 1. All sergeants and corporals in the

regiment were eligible.
Lance Cpl. Gilbert Pascua, of
Molokai, Hawaii, was selected
the regiment's Marine of the
quarter. Privates, privates first
class and lance corporals were eligible.

Jibson and Pascua were singled out among hundreds of qu their peers, and nominated m



CHARLIE COON/Stars and Strip

Lance Cpl. Ken Torok, of Reading, Pa., and the 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, kneels before a memorial for two slain fellow Marines — Cpls. Scott M. Vincent and Joshua S. Wilfong — at Camp Baharia, Iraq. Vincent and Wilfong were killed April 30 by a car bomb while on patrol.

based on past job performance and on how well they answered questions and interviewed with members of a selection board. E-mail Jessica Inigo at: inigoj@mail.estripes.osd.mil E-mail Charlie Coon at: coonc@mail.estripes.osd.mil

Rumsfeld: No immediate plan for more U.S. troops in Iraq

BY JANE WARDELL

The Associated Press

LONDON — Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Sunday that the United States has no immediate plans to send more troops to Iraq.

"The real task of security is not to flood a country with more troops and become a foreign occupier," Rumsfeld told the British Broadcasting Corp. "Breakfast with Frost" program from Istanbul, where a NATO summit is being held on Monday.

Iraq has faced a spate of deadly bombings across the country in the days leading up to the transfer of power on June 30. Rumsfeld said he had approved an inves-

tigation into the practicality of providing more troops, but "that does not mean we will need them, it means that we are doing the prudent planning to need them." He noted that the number of troops had

already increased over the past three to four months from 113,000 to 141,000. "We don't want to be an occupying

ower," he said. "The Iraqi people are going to have to provide for the security of their country and they are well on the way to doing it.

Rumsfeld was confident that leaders at the upcoming NATO summit will come to



President Bush, second right, meets Sunday with NATO Secretary General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer, right, and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, left to right, Secretary of State Colin Powell and U.S. Ambassador to NATO Nicholas Burns in Istanbul, Turkey.

an agreement on training for Iraqi security

"We anticipate that at this summit, the heads of state will end up agreeing that NATO will in fact have a role in training and equipping the Iraqi security forces, which is a very good thing if that happens.

Iraq's interim prime minister, Ayad Alland, has asked NATO to provide help to fight the insurgency, particularly in the form of training and technical help. NATO has not In a wide-ranging interview, Rumsfeld said the war against terror will be a long hard slog and it is difficult to tell which side is winning. "We are being very successful with a 90-nation coalition, we are being very successful in exchanging intelligence information, in freezing bank accounts, in capturing and killing senior members of these organizations." Rumsfeld said.

"On the other hand we don't have a good visibility into how many new recruits are coming in... and learning how to go out and kill people and being encouraged and equipped and trained and deployed to do those suicide missions," he said.

"We don't know that and unless one knows that, you can't answer the question, are you winning or losing."

U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Friday, 848 U.S. servicemembers have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq last year, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 627 died as a result of hostile action and 221 died of nonhostile causes. The department did not provide an update Sahudate.

The British military has reported 58 deaths; Italy, 18; Spain, eight; Bulgaria and Poland, six each; Ukraine, four; Slovakia three; Thailand, two; Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia and the Netherlands have reported one each

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 710 U.S. servicemembers have died — 518 as a result of hostile action and 192 of nonhostile causes, according to the military as of Friday.

The latest deaths reported by the mili-

A U.S. soldier was killed Saturday in an attack in central Baghdad.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ Capt. Christopher S. Cash, 36, Winterville, N.C., and Spc. Daniel A. Desens, 20, of Jacksonville, N.C.; killed Thursday in an attack in Baqouba; assigned to the Army National Guard, 1st Battalion, 120th Infantry, Jacksonville, N.C.

Allawi to take helm facing demands of many

BY HANNAH ALLAM Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD - Earlier this month, a letter from Irag's top Shiite Muslim cleric arrived at the offices of Iraq's new prime minister, advising him that as he takes charge of the country he should remember the Islamic concept of amana - guarding other peo-

ple's precious property with one's life.

It was Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini al-Sistani's tacit endorsement of the interim leadership of Prime Minister Ivad Allawi and his fledgling Cabinet, and it was greeted with relief. Three other times during the American occupation, al-Sistani's objections short-circuited American plans for governing

But the letter also was a reminder that Iraq belongs to many. While officially Allawi and his government of opposi tion leaders and technocrats will be in charge Thursday, much of the real power will lie outside

the interim government. The most powerful player remains the U.S.-led coalition, renamed the Multinational Forc-

es, whose role is still being determined. Muslim clerics, deadly insurgents and U.S.-backed Kurdish political parties all will play a role in determining Irag's future

To fulfill his Islamic responsibility under amana, as well as his secular duty as the latest ruler of a di verse and war-weary nation, Allawi must delicately deal with all the players. If he does so skillfully, Iraq may yet evolve into something of a democratic model in the Middle East. If he fails, Iraq could spin into civil war and breed more terrorism and instabil-

"Iyad Allawi and his group want Iraqi independence and they want to succeed in this political process by working with the Americans," said Ayad Sacess by working with the Americans, saan yad sa-marrai, the deputy secretary-general of the Iraqi Is-lamic Party, an influential Sunni Muslim group. "The other groups want the same thing, but they don't trust the Americans and won't work with them. But the goal for independence is the same.

Serving so many masters could leave Allawi's new government hamstrung. Each faction brings a different vision of what sovereign Iraq should lool like, and so far none of them squares with the Bush

administration's plans for a secular, Ameri-can-friendly model of Middle Eastern democracy. These are the factions Allawi must deal with as he takes the helm:

■ The Shiites: Iraq's Shiite majority was badly fractured during an uprising that pitted al-Sistan against rebel cleric Muqtada al Sadr. With that fight-ing now largely over, the Shiites are trying to bring together rival groups, build a voting bloc and sweep elections late next year.

Many Shiite parties have demanded an Islamic-based constitution and other measures that hint of a theocracy in the vein of neighboring Iran.

■ The Kurds: Iraqi politicians privy to the talks that resulted in the new government said the country's powerful Kurdish parties, the most consistently pro-American groups in Iraq, wanted either the presidency of the prime minister post. They got nei-

Vice President Rowsch Shaways, a German-educated engineer and former prime minister of the semi-autonomous Kurdish region, is expected to quell ethnic tension as well as ensure that Kurdish rights are pro-

tected in the next phase of government. ■ The insurgents and terrorists: The key measure of Allawi's success will be in how he handles

the deteriorating security conditions in Iraq. Enemy No. 1 is Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the Jordanian-born terrorist who claims responsibility for most of Iraq's large-scale bombings, attacks on U.S.-appointed Iraqi leaders and the gruesome slayings of foreign hostages. On Wednesday, al-Zarqawi turned his attention to Allawi, calling for the prime minister's head in a taped death threat broadcast throughout the Arab world on satellite television

■ President Rush and the United States: Tens of thousands of U.S. troops will remain in Iraq long after June 30 and probably even after elections scheduled for the end of 2005.

To establish his credibility, Allawi will have to separate himself somehow from the Americans and that will almost certainly mean confronting them at some point on some issue — most likely the conduct of military operations in the country.

Irag's new leaders

Key figures in Iraq's new government, and offices they will take July 1:

Inside the new government Prime Minister Ivad Allawi President Ghazi al-Yawer

Highest ranking Iraqi official: Shiite Muslim former member of Iraqi Governing Council: backed by Bush administration; has worked with CIA

Defense Minister Hazem Sha'alan Responsible for turning Iraq's security forces into terrorism

fighters, building partnership with U.S. military commanders

Vice President Rowsch Shaways



Highest ranking Kurd; former prime minister of semi-autonomous Kurdish region in northern Iraq

Finance Minister Adel Abdul Madhi

Interior Minister Falah al-Nagih

U.S.-trained civil engineer; will

oversee intelligence gathering.

Iraqi police force

Economist; top-ranking member of Supreme Council for Islamic Revolution in Iraq, the country's most influential Shiite group

Largely ceremonial

expected to woo

Iraq's tribes

negotiate with

position; Sunni Muslim tribal chief;

Outside the new government

Will oversee new U.S. Embassy in Baghdad: expected to exert influence on Iragi leaders



Radical Shiite cleric who led anti-American uprising

Highest-ranking Shiite cleric in Iraq, with millions of followers: undermined former Governing Council

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Jordanian-born terrorist; one of the most wanted men in Iraq; vowed to derail reconstruction; threatened Allawi's life

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Transition of power to be a low-key affair

BY HANNAH ALLAM Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD - If Iraq had turned out to be the peaceful nation longing for democracy that the U.S.-led coalition envisioned when it took over the country, the return of sovereignty to Iraqis this week would probably involve a huge gala headed by a triumphant President Bush.

Instead, occupation authorities are working with the incoming Iraqi government on top-secret plans for a series of subdued ceremonies closed to the public, with severe media restrictions and an arsenal of weapons close at hand.

A surprise visit from Bush who will be in neighboring Tur-key just ahead of the June 30 handover date, would do little but complicate security logistics and further link the president to the failure of his forces to provide stability 15 months after the ouster of Saddam Hussein.

"You're not going to see a big western presence. We're not going to be out there thumping said a senior U.S. military official involved in the planning.

"There will be no western cere monies, parades or mutual flag-raisings. It's their day."

What should be a happy occasion is a security nightmare, as terrorists issue assassination threats and the U.S. military prepares for the large-scale car bombings and other violence they expect will disrupt festivi-

L. Paul Bremer, the top civilian administrator for Iraq, will leave the country immediately after ceding authority. Administrators made a strategic deci-sion to delay the arrival of John D. Negroponte, the new U.S. ambassador to Iraq, until after the handover to avoid the appearance that he is simply Bremer's replacement

Ordinary Iraqis can watch the ceremonies live on television. provided electricity is working in their power-starved neighborhoods

But there are still no details on where or when the events will take place. Iragis inside the new leadership, meanwhile, are bracing for attacks and more criticism that they are simply a proxy government for their

former occupiers.

GIs cautiously optimistic for Iraq handover

BY CHRIS TOMLINSON The Associated Press

CAMP VICTORY, Iraq — Donald Nuss was a barely out of infantry training when he helped capture Baghdad and begin the occupation of Iraq last year. Fifteen months later, as a trooper with the 1st Cavalry Division, he's out patrolling the streets again as sovereignty returns to an Iraqi

government. He has witnessed the ups and down of America's foray into Iraq and he's sure they aren't over yet.

'We're not sure what's going to happen We can't guarantee it will go well or that it will go sour," now Spc. Nuss, of Brookings, Ore., said of Wednesday's return of power to the interim Iraqi government. "Is this whole insurgent/counterinsurgent action going to start all over again, or is it going to be a slow rebuilding process?'

Nuss, now assigned to Company A, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, doesn't have the answer, but he is sure of one thing: "It's not going to take a short period of time. It's going to take years.'

At the age of 20 years and one month, Nuss has more time in combat than any other soldier in his company. He was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division a day before last year's war began. His old unit, Company A, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment helped capture downtown Bagh dad, a moment Nuss considers his proudest in Iraq.

The Iraqis "were very happy to see us They gave us hugs, wanted to cook us din-ner, all kinds of stuff," Nuss said of the weeks following the war.

But things are different these days "Ain't nobody says hi or waves anymore," he said The soldiers have changed, too. Before the war, they spoke eagerly of weapons of



"We are definitely doing good over Nuss said, echoing a sentiment heard frequently from American troops. "We can't just pull out immediately; that wouldn't be the right thing to do We at least have to leave them with the infrastruc-

ture they started out with." While Nuss searches for insurgents in the Abu Ghraib district, Capt. Paul McBride of the 425th Civil Affairs Battalion is helping Iraqis in the same area re-

build their country and create a democra-Sitting through the equivalent of weekly city council meetings, the Army reservist from San Diego works with elected Iraqi



ings, Ore., greets a driver at a roadblock in the Abu Ghraib district of Baghdad last week. Nuss, an infantryman, has been ordered to step up security in Abu Ghraib. mass destruction, terrorism and the need

> U.S. Army Capt. Paul McBride, of San Diego, Calif., orders an Iraqi cab driver to stop blocking traffic near a hospital in the Abu Ghraib district of Baghdad last week, McBride. a civil affairs officer, works with Iraqi community leaders to develop city councils.

leaders on schools, public works and industrial development.

He said that in the last few weeks the meetings have changed from demanding weapons, air conditioners or cars from U.S. forces to progress reports from subcommittees on community improvements.

"They are beginning to understand it's their country. I don't know that they've understood that we've been trying to prepare them for that," McBride said, explaining that many Iraqis never believed the United States really would hand power back.

"I don't know how anyone knows the

time is right for a people to govern themselves," McBride said. "I think they are ready to do it. They have the will to do it. Now the test is, can they do it? I think they can, if other forces don't derail them." McBride said he has received plenty of

hints there will be trouble from insurgents who don't want the new Iraqi government to succeed. At the council meeting this past week, the chairman warned of ple" preparing to riot, loot and attack American troops in the coming days.

"I want to say it's a hopeful time, but it's one that is also very dangerous," McBride said of the Iraqis he works with at the coun-

Martial law possible if order deteriorates

Emergency laws called undesirable, but may be needed to restore order after handover

BY TAREK EL-TABLAWY The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - A drastic deterioration in security in Iraq could lead to the imposition of emergency laws or martial rule, however undesirable such measures may be in a demo cratic society, Iraq's new interim vice president said

A steady stream of attacks around the country has bolstered doubts about the new government's ability to effectively administer the countr

On Thursday, a series of apparently coordinated attacks that included car bombings killed about 100 people and wounded more than 300. A group linked to the Jordani-an-born militant Abu Musab al-Zargawi claimed responsibility

"Announcing emergency laws or martial law depends on the nature of the situation. In normal situations, there is clearly no need for that." Ibrahim al-Jaafari, a Shiite and member of the Islamic Dawa Party, told The Associated Press in an interview late Thursday.

"But in cases of excess challenges, emergen cy laws have their place," he said, adding that any such laws would fall within a "democratic framework that respects the rights of Iragis.

Iraq's new leaders have recently begun to put forward the possibility of at least partial martial rule in some hotspots around the country. It is unclear, however, whether U.S. officials would go along with the idea. The U.N. Security Council resolution approved this month grants the United States a primary security role in Iraq even after the transfer of sovereignty Wednesday.

Al-Jaafari evnressed ontimism that cooperation with multinational forces following the handover could mitigate the need for emergency laws

He said the new government will push hard to holster the ranks of the various security services under the control of the Interior and Defense ministries, as well as the intelligence ser-

But he stressed the final say must rest with

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Ibrahim al-Jaafari Iraq's interim vice president

the country's new leaders.

"What we need is support for the security operations," he said. But "under sovereignty, the relevant Iraqi authorities are the ones who would consider such steps."

Iraq's new interim prime minister, Iyad Allawi, on Sunday announced the restructuring of country's security forces, with most of the resources in the near-term devoted to combating the insurgents.

The security question lies at the core of the challenges facing the government, and could cast a pall over efforts to set up the kind of democratic Iraq the United States had touted as a main objective following the war to depose Saddam Hussein last year

The interim leaders are to serve until elections are held in January to set up a permanent government that would serve under the guidelines of a new constitution. That constitution would be drafted next year and implemented after it is approved through a nationwide referendum.

While the interim constitution offers wide guarantees to Shiite, Sunni and Kurdish groups, those ethnic groups have also voiced reservations about the roles they will play.
Kurds are worried Shitte domination of the

new government would strip them of their autonomy in the northern part of the country. Sunnis, who controlled the government

under Saddam, also worry they will be margin-Hardline Shiites, who had initially wel-

comed the toppling of Saddam's government, are increasingly concerned that the new gov-ernment will be little more than a lackey of the West

Highlighting those concerns, al-Jaafari said a clear distinction must be understood in the role multinational forces will play in the new

Iraqi political arena.

Al-Jaafari said the United States, and other countries who continue to maintain a military presence following the handover, must "respect" Iraq's sovereignty and limit themselves to support and advisory roles that avoid giving the impression of a reversion to the pre-handover occupational stage.

Sovereignty schedule

The handover of sovereignty to the government of Prime Minister Ivad Allawi begins a process that's to result in general elections by the end of next year. These are the key steps scheduled to take place

Now: A preparatory committee is issuing invitations to 1,000 Iraqis who will represent a cross-section of Iraq's social, political, ethnic and religious groups at a national convention. The convention will select an interim national assem-

The assembly is to be made up of 100 people, 20 of whom will be former members of the Iraqi Governing Council, the U.S.-appointed body that served during much of the American occupation.

Early January 2005: National elections, to be supervised by the interim national assembly, are to be held to select a parliament.

Members of the parliament will oversee the drafting of a constitution, which must go to a national referendum. After the parliament is elected, the interim national assembly will be dissolved.

Late 2005: Once the constitution sets forth election law and a census has been conducted. Iragis will cast their ballots in general elections, selecting a new government

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NATO likely to end Bosnia mission at summit

Patrol of region could pass from SFOR to EU force

BY RICK SCAVETTA Stars and Strings

NATO leaders meeting in Turkey this week are expected to discuss ending the alliance's nine-year peacekeeping mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina and to look for ways to assist a planned follow-on European Union force

Representatives from 26 NATO countries will hold a two-day summit in Istanbul starting Tuesday. Talks to end its Stabilization Force mission are on the agenda, NATO officials said.

NATO leaders could come to a decision to announce the "end of the SFOR mission in Bosnia by the end of 2004," said NATO spokesman James Appathurai.

In a video statement on the NATO Web site, Appathurai also said the alliance will discuss its continuing role in supporting Bosnia's defense reforms and sunporting efforts to catch war criminals, while addressing what assistance NATO can provide to an EII mission

"This will be one area they will certainly tackle," he said. EU planners are anticipating

NATO's decision to end SFOR, said Javier Solana, the EU's High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy.

Thereafter, the European Union would lead a military operation making use of the agreed co-operation framework between the EU and NATO." Solana said.

The handover has been on the horizon for a while.



eepers walk in the snow-covered streets of Eagle Base, Bosnia-Herzegovina, in November 2001. Anticipating NATO's likely withdrawal from Bosnia and a EU takeover, U.S. and European military planners have spent months creating contingency plans. A British general based in Sarajevo will likely lead a force of roughly 7,000 troops under European Union leadership.

Interest from the EU began as early as December 2002, Solana NATO eventually announced a reduction from 12,000 troops to roughly 7,000 by June,

setting the stage for SFOR's final chanter. While formal decisions have

yet to be announced, U.S. and European military planners have spent months creating contingen cy plans, anticipating NATO's likely withdrawal and an EU takeover. A British general based in Sarajevo will likely lead the EU force of roughly 7.000 troops,

while operational control will fall under NATO's deputy commander at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Belgium. the EU official said.

"The U.K. has offered to command the mission for up to one vear," said Charles Morton a spokesman for the British Ministry of Defense.

EU ministers approved the concept for the follow-on force in May, but planning continues, said an EU official speaking on the condition of anonymity. The force would work closely with other EU initiatives in Bosnia, to include

foreign aid, police and diplomatic efforts, he said

Before the EU renders a formal decision. NATO must announce its withdrawal. The EU also requires a mandate from the U.N. Security Council before moving ahead

Still, any solid plans hinge on the outcome of NATO discussions

Meanwhile, NATO will establish a regional headquarters in Sarajevo. Commanded by a U.S. general, the 200-strong NATO team will continue assisting Bosnia with defense reforms and monitain war criminals, Appathurai said

What is unclear is how many U.S. troops will remain in Bosnia as part of NATO or under the EU umbrella. For years, the U.S. government insisted that it would only leave Bosnia when its NATO partners pulled out. But in this case most of the European troops will simply slip off their NATO hats and don EU ones.

Currently, America maintains a token force of 800 servicemembers, mostly from the National Guard, at Eagle Base outside

Under the Berlin Plus agreement — a package of agreements between NATO and EU, based on conclusions of the NATO Washington Summit in 2003 - U.S. troops could serve as part of NATO's loaned assets to the EU force. Or the EU could invite the United States to take part in its mission.

Last autumn as NATO announced reductions and suggested SFOR's end, Gen. James Jones, commander of NATO and U.S. forces in Europe, ordered his U.S. European Command staff to get cracking on the U.S. military's role, said Navy Cmdr. Van Badzik, one of the group's senior staff members.

The Balkans working group, based at EUCOM's headquarters in Stuttgart, Germany, was first tasked to handle the drawdown to a deterrent force by June, Badzik

When discussing the U.S. commitment to any future force, or the United States' retaining its bases in Bosnia, Badzik would only say "all options are open."

The Army's largest camp, Eagle Base, is set on a former Yugoslav airfield outside Tuzla

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American troops have mixed feelings about leaving

BY KENT HARRIS Stars and Stripes

EAGLE BASE, Bosnia-Herzegovina Collectively, U.S. soldiers have spent nine Christmases, eight Thanksgivings and Fourths of July, and thousands of birthdays and anniversaries serving as peacekeeners in Bosnia

Since the inception of the Implementation Force — IFOR — on Dec. 20, 1995, and its transformation into the Stabilization Force — SFOR — a year later, thousands of American troops have logged time in country. Most of them have served six-month tours, with each rotation adding on a number So the 800 or so Americans currently

serving in Rosnia are a part of SFOR-15 There might not be an SFOR-16. And soldiers have mixed opinions about that.

"I see signs the Bosnian people are taking control of their own destinies," said Sgt. Kevin Brown, the training noncommissioned officer for Company A, 2nd Battalion, 152nd Infantry Regiment.

"I think there are enough people who have experienced peace by now that they want to keep peace. I think they're ready." But that opinion isn't shared by some of the other members of his company.

Capt. Jimmy Coats compared Bosnia to the United States in the 1920s, with criminal elements constantly maneuvering be-



hind the scenes. He said SFOR has an in-

kling of who some of the players are, but

He fears that if SFOR pulls out, those ele-

Sgt. 1st Class Rick Tarr, a veteran of

ments will take on a more visible, and pow-

Desert Storm and Desert Shield, agreed.

"The bad guys are here," he said.

They're just waiting for us to leave.

"Not just the ones we know about." he

said. "But the ones we don't know about.

Whoever controls the money is going to

Asked if the overall mission could be

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44 The bad awus are here. They're just waiting for us to leave. They're just going to take control. Sgt. 1st Class Rick Tarr

> called finished with suspected war criminals such as former Serb leader Radovan Karadic still on the loose — despite attempts by SFOR troops to capture him -Coats had a quick and simple answer:

But even soldiers who agree with that sentiment question how long U.S. and allied troops can continue to serve in Bosnia "You can't stay here forever," said Cpl. Neil Garvey.

Brown, serving his second stint in Bos-- the first came during SFOR-11 said he's seen improvements between the two stints. Besides, he added, "it seems like we're holding their hands."



in Europe. Staff Sgt. Samuel Wyatt Others say that some parts of Bosnia appear ready to move on. But other parts

"Some areas you go to, it looks like the war ended yesterday," said Staff Sgt. Sam-uel Wyatt. "Other neighborhoods you could see anywhere in Europe."

Wyatt said many locals don't trust their elected leaders. Most soldiers agreed that residents appear to trust those wearing American flags on their shoulders. "They have a real fear that when we

leave, things will heat up again," Coats said.

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Bosnia: A mission may be ending

Using labor contracted brough KBR, the military turned muddy streets and com munist-style barracks into a premier U.S. garrison, com-plete with fast-food restau-rants, shops and parks.

The Heidelberg, Germa-ny-based U.S. Army Europe headquarters is responsible for U.S. bases in Bosnia. Sub-ject matter experts from the command's operations staff de-clined to be interviewed. US-AREUR public affairs officers

Several things could happen to Eagle Base, Badzik said. The United States could retain the base, and use its strate-gic airfield for future missions. It could become part of the planned EU force or be returned to the Bosnian govern ment

"All those things are being looked at," Badzik said. "These decisions are being made at ex-tremely high levels."

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Army rejects man's tribute to slain

Bible verse reference on medallion cited as reason

By ELIZABETH A DAVIS The Associated Press

KNOXVILLE Tenn . - Since 1995 Bob Parker has sent nearly 2,000 honorary medallions to survivors of servicemembers, police officers and firefighters killed in the line of

But the Army recently told Parker that it won't help him distribute the medals any more because they include a reference to a

"The denial is based upon the religious content on the medallion. There are some next of kin that may find the inscription offensive to their personal religious beliefs," Lt. Col. Kevin Logan, chief of the casualty operations division, wrote in one of two letters Parker received from the Army.

The Marines, Navy and Air Force have continued to provide Parker with names - but only after asking the families if they want to receive the medallions

Parker's nonprofit organization Fallen Friend has 17 more medallions ready to send. including one for Pat Tillman, the football player who quit the NFL to become an Army Ranger and was killed in Afghanistan in

Parker, 70, an Army veteran, believes all the families should have a choice to accept the medals or refuse them

"I will not compromise," Parker said in an interview with The Associated Press. "I told the lieutenant colonel who sent the first [letter] I will go to a higher-up. This will not stop

He says he had never received any complaints about the medallions before and no family has ever returned one.

The gold-colored medallion is inscribed with words "A Fallen Friend," the service-member's name and "John 15:13," for the Bible verse "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his

It also bears a picture of hands cupped around a bell with the words "Liberty Rings for All Nations" and "United We Stand, Divided We Fall."

"The families that would like to have the me dallions don't have the choice to say yes or no," said Parker, of Clairfield, Tenn. "They are denying them the very thing that these people are dying for — freedom of choice." In April, the Army returned 16 medals Park-

er had already engraved. An April 27 letter from the Army told him each group wishing to send gifts or letters to next of kin must seek approval and fill out a questionnaire.

Parker returned the questionnaire, and the Army responded with a May 4 letter denying his application.

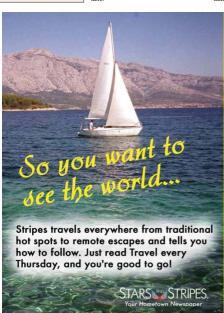
A spokeswoman for the Army human resources command. Shari Lawrence, said the Army reviewed its practice of helping people send things to survivors and found some items were inappropriate.

"They should have not been sent in the first place," she said.

The Army receives numerous requests from people who want to send condolences to families and cannot pass along all of them.

Bob Parker, president of Fallen Friend, holds a medallion Friday in Knoxville, Tenn. Parker sends the medallions, which include the inscription "John 15:13," to the family of servicemembers who have died in the line of duty.

"It's not picking on any person or any particular religion, it's just a matter of trying to manage a program this huge," Lawrence said.









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Mark Lewis, Kelley Barracks Fitness Center facility manager, looks on while Pfc. Nancy Coronado tries out some Nautilus equipment Saturday at Cambrai-Fritsch Fitness Center. Coronado was one of 22 women who took the women's weight resistance training course.

Resistance training class helps women fight weight plateau

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Todd Hoover

for the ASG

By LISA HORN Stars and Stripes

DARMSTADT, Germany Brigitte Gosnell, who lost 40 pounds while her husband was deployed last year, has been going to the gym regularly. Recently, however, she stopped making progress

Gosnell was one of 22 women who attended Darmstadt's inaugural women's resistance training class at the Cambrai-Fritsch Fitness Center

She attended Saturday's class to help refresh her workout and learn how to use weight equip-

ment effectively. "I've pla-teaued," she said after the class. "I 44 Bu focusing on

learned a lot and thought I knew it

The two-hour class is a result of a 26th Area Support Group patrons Seventy-one per-cent of the women responding wanted to betfamiliarize themselves with the weight room and learn about

using weights in a safe and effective way. The survey asked patron how gyms could better suit their asked natrons

needs and what classes would help. The results have contributed to an overall restructuring of ASG fitness centers, said Todd Hoover, chief of sports and fit-ness for the ASG, which includes the Heidelberg, Kaiser-slautern, Darmstadt, Babenhausen and Mannheim communities

"Part of the plan is that if you go to the gym in Darmstadt and then you find yourself the next day to be in the Mannheim community, you should get the same kind of program that you had in Darmstadt," Hoover said. In addition to offering classes

streamlining includes code system that will appear on equip-ment at every ASG fitness center. Machines will be color-coded with a specific color for each part of the body they are designed to target — legs.

chest, back, shoulders, arms A standardized training proram was also implemented in February to better equip ASG fitness center staff with tools to fitness center staff with tools to help people get more out of their

Women's resistance training classes have been offered in Kai serslautern and Mannheim. The next class will

be from 6:30 to o:ou p.m. Wednesday at

Heidelberg's Campbell Bar-racks Fitness racks Center.

Classes in the Darmstadt community will be given every other month, alternating be-tween Darmstadt and the Babenhausen gym

Hoover said organizers hope the resistance training classes will serve as a foundation for future classes They also hope that the transfor-mation of the 26th ASG's fitness centers will spread to other U.S. Army Europe communities, he

In addition to the resistance training class, the 26th ASG gyms will offer classes in weight management, men's weight training and the use of supple-

ments.
"By focusing on the needs of the community, I think we're better apt to serve them," Hoover said. "By making sure we listen to what they want... we [can] provide premium quality programs.

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Jones has high hopes for NATO role in Afghanistan

BY WARD SANDERSON Stars and Stripes

KABUL, Afghanistan - Gen James L. Jones, supreme allied commander of NATO, toured Kabul and beyond Friday and Saturday in a flurry of briefings in advance of the alliance summit this week in Istanbul, Turkey

Afghanistan and Iraq will fig-ure high on the agenda. Some ana-lysts have said NATO could up its presence in Afghanistan as a means of helping the United States in Iraq without actually

going to Iraq. Whatever the case, Jones hopes Afghanistan — NATO's first foray outside Europe — isn't forgotten. The mission still faces building a new army, rocket at-tacks and the prickly realities of warlords and drugs.

Jones came away from Kabul with two impressions confirmed: Despite troubles, Afghanistan is better than its rap; and that for NATO to fulfill its lofty hopes of reforming the former militant the ocracy, member states will have

to spend money.

"It's a little bit like a lottery,"
Jones said of the summit. "I'm anxious to see

Jones has big hopes, and would like to see expansion in as little as 30 days — provided world lead-ers will sign the check this week supporting:

■ Some 2,000 more troops among them light "expeditionary forces" — in addition to the 6,500 troops now participating in the In-ternational Security Assistance

■ More provincial reconstruction teams, or PRTs, to help with infrastructure and social pro-grams. NATO now runs one in Konduz and plans five more to

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augment the 13 established by

- Quick response forces to guard these new PRTs.
- More aircraft, particularly C-130s for transport. ■ Medical facilities, including
- a triage unit. ■ New intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance capabil-

The alliance plans to expand into the great Afghan expanse in a counterclockwise sweep. Now, it is active mainly in the capital, leaving much of the remote reconstruction to the United States' Operation Enduring Freedom. Re-construction is where NATO could help, leaving the Ameri-cans to hunt Osama bin Laden and the Taliban.

"The problem for NATO is that Operation Enduring Freedom is more of a combat mission," Jones said. "... NATO is more likely to adopt peacekeeping and recon-struction roles."

Nonetheless, the insurgents remain a threat to NATO, said Canadian Lt. Col. Kent Davis, the security assistance force's deputy oprations and planning officer. "We face an almost constant threat of rocket attack," he said.

To bring the place under con trol, NATO is striving to tame 100,000 former muhajadeen who make up the Afghan Militia Forces. NATO would like to see the fighters, mostly former Northern Alliance members who fought the Taliban, retire to civilian life and be replaced by the budding Afghan National Army. It's a tough job. The old mu-

hajadeen know nothing but guns, and the new Afghan troops are innately fearless, but often undisci-plined.

"Fighting is not the problem," Jones said. "Making them into good soldiers is the problem."

All these tasks, officials here said, means more help is needed

from NATO, and by this "While good spirit to

support Afghanistan, the time is now," said Abdullah Abdullah, Afghanistan's foreign min-



ister.
"For us, the summer is the last chance," said Jean Arnault, the U.N. envoy to Afghanistan, referencing the country's elections in September, "We need the securithat NATO would provide."

Jones is optimistic 'I came away with the idea that

Afghanistan is a better story than most people realize," he said. "The Taliban and al-Qaida are definitely being dealt with. Most problems now are problems of governance."

But he's still a realist. Afghanistan is still a wild place. Europe's NATO members have 2.4 million troops. Getting more of them would be Jones' summit jackpot.

'NATO can do what it wishes to do if it's willing to provide the resources," Jones said. . It's still too close to the bad

old days, if you will.

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July 4 protest

As many as 100 protesters will demonstrate outside the main gate of RAF Lakenheath,

England, on July 4. The event, which was first held last year, is called a Peace Makers Ball and is being held on Independence from America Day. It is organized by the Lakenheath Action Group, which seeks removal of nuclear weapons it claims are stored at the

The demonstrators plan to arrive wearing masks and dressed in ball gowns and tuxedoes with drums, music, banners and non-alcoholic champagne in

They are being encouraged to use non-violent actions to dis-rupt the base routine. In the past, that has meant attempting to gain illegal entry onto the base by cutting through the fence or climbing over it.

Naples maintenance

NAPLES, Italy - Naval Support Activity Naples housing management is asking residents of the Gricignano family housing area to remove bicycles from building common areas, including those just outside each apartment.

Housing personnel will be going to each building looking for loose bikes, removing them from the building and locking them with a U.S. government lock, to the nearest bike rack.

Those who have had their bike locked by housing must visit the facilities office in Building 2074, near the Autoport, weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to have the lock removed. Also, new trash cans and benches are being installed at

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the playground between Build-ings 2112 and 2113. Residents are asked to avoid the work

Perot's plane problem

DALLAS - A budding mus um backed by Ross Perot Jr., chief executive of the computer-services company started by his billionaire father, has given away two Air Force jets after federal prosecutors warned that the planes belong to the govern-

Plans for the planes and the Al-liance Heritage Museum were jettisoned after Air Force museum officials learned during a routine inventory of government planes that Perot had purchased two T-38 Talon jets. Under feder-al law, retired planes remain government property and can be loaned only to approved museums or groups, which Perot's

Perot is the son of former pres-idential candidate H. Ross

Museum officials didn't know the federal regulations when they bought the planes, said Barry McNeil, an attorney for the Alliance museum.

"Alliance thought they were being purchased from private parties and could pass muster,"

Under an agreement reached May 31 between prosecutors and museum lawyers, one jet was given to the new Frontiers of Flight Museum in Dallas — a rival to Perot's hoped-for museum - and the second was sent to an Arizona salvage yard for parts. In return, prosecutors agreed not to pursue claims for damages against the museum or prosecute anyone connected to the case, lawyers said

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Civilian doctor finds several ways to contribute during husband's deployment at ŘAF Lakenheath

BY RON JENSEN Stars and Stripes

RAF LAKENHEATH, England - Dr. Kirsten Nelson was entering an unknown universe when she married a military doctor. Growing up in Glenwood, a small town in Minnesota, had not exposed her to the lives of her country's uniformed services.

"I had no clue," she admitted with a laugh. "My husband was actually quite concerned about

That would be Dr. (Maj.) Eric Nelson, who was studying at the University of Minnesota Medical School when the two of them met. fell in love and got married.

For the major, the future was clear - follow wherever the Air Force sent him

For his wife, it meant putting on hold her career as a pediatrician to go where he went.

"When we came overseas, I didn't know my future would be like" she said But Nelson has spent the past

year as a volunteer pediatrician at the hospital at RAF Laken-heath, England, where her husband is an orthopedic surgeon.

Her presence has been helpful during a year when the operations tempo was high.

"There are a lot of kids at this base," she said.

Dr. (Col.) James King, commander of the 48th Medical Operations Squadron, said Nelson's volunteer efforts helped take the load off of the regular staff. Nelson has seen more than 200 patients since she started.

"When premature twins were delivered here at the hospital in January, all four of our active-duty staff pediatricians were tied up for the entire day," he

Nelson rushed in to care for the natients with acute problems that

day, he said. The desire to be a physician came

early to Nelson. She received a doctor kit for her third birthday. "My dad has said that from

then, that's all I wanted to be," she said. Concerns about

a volunteer physi-cian on staff prevented Nelson practicing from profession her when she first arrived in England. That was a disappointment, but she made the most of it in other ways, spending more time with her chil-

dren, Zachary, 5, and Karina, 2. "I was blessed with the opportunity to control my own time and be a mom," she said.

It also provided her with time to become involved as a key

on deployment.



England, where her husband is assigned. Occupation: Pediatrician Age: 35

Family: Husband, Dr. (Maj.) Eric Nelson, son, Zachary, 5. and daughter, Karina, 2

Hometown: Glenwood, Minn Stars and Stripes

> her role as pediatrician as easily as one slips into a familiar pair of slippers.

talking to patients, having the col-

Dr. Kristen Nelson checks out Karina Patton, 6 months, at the pediatrics clinic at RAF Lakenheath, England. Nelson, the wife of an Air Force surgeon, has volunteered her services at the clinic for the past year.

legial relationships with other physicians," she said, "It felt very spouse, a volunteer position that requires her to help spouses who are new to the squadron and easy and very natural for me to those with a spouse of their own come back."

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Nelson will soon leave England

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of this to happen," she said. "Ev-

'I wouldn't have predicted any

She is no longer naïve about the

"I've learned a lot from wives

who have been here for a long

time," she said. "I've learned a lot

about military families and how

The experience has taught her

about the stresses placed on mili-tary families and given her a new

appreciation, she said, for "what

military and has many people to

perience as a military spouse.

erything has been a blessing."

King said there was no prob-"That's been wonderful. I'm a lem with a volunteer providing firm believer in that program." care. Nelson, he said, was put through the same "rigorous cre-dentialing process" all other doc-

Nelson started out as a new volunteer, but became the key spouse for cern expressed that a volunteer the entire medical physician was not providing the group, which has same standard of care as our nearly 640 acother excellent pediatric providtive-duty memers," he said. bers.

She produced a newsletter, prepared a seminar for snouses about to be reunited at the end of a deployment and created a program offering three home-cooked

meals a day for new parents. And then, one year ago, the deci-

sion was made that a volunteer doc was not a bad thing. Nelson slipped back into

people do to protect our free-"It was so fun to get back into F-mail Ron Jensen at:

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they function



IN THE WORLD

Bush courts Turkish leaders at summit

Terrorism in Iraq makes work tricky for president

BY DEB RIECHMANN The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey - President Bush sought on Sunday to bolster America's partnership with vital ally Turkey, a courtship complicated by terrorists' threats to decapitate three Turks unless the country's compa-

nies stop aiding U.S. forces in Iraq.

Bush hoped to use the NATO summit in Turkey to nail down details of the alliance's tentative plan to assist with the training of Iraqi security forces. But he also was getting a reminder of widespread opposition in Tur-key to the war in Iraq, its southern neighbor.

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chanting "USA get out of the Middle East," gathered in Istanbul to protest his visit.

Ahead of a two-day NATO summit in Istanbul, Bush met with NATO Secretary General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer. Asked whether he thought the kidnapping

in Iraq of three Turkish hostages had cast a pall on the summit, Bush replied, "No." Bush said he hoped the 26-member NATO alliance, which is grounded in Cold War geo-

politics, can adjust its mission to meet modern-day threats

"We're going to work together to help make sure NATO is configured militarily to meet the threats of the 21st century," Bush said. Bush also meet briefly with six Turkish reli-

gious leaders, part of the president's effort to point out how a Muslim country can be democratic and still have tolerance for various religious faiths.

They represent the very best of Turkey, which is a country that is secular in its politics and strong in its faith," Bush said about the leaders, who posed for pictures with the president. Secretary of State Colin Powell, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice and Andy Card, White House chief of staff. Bush also held up Turkey as a model for

the Middle East as he met earlier in the day in Ankara with Prime Minister Recep Tayyip

"I appreciate so very much the example your country has set on how to be a Muslim country and at the same time a country which embraces democracy and rule of law and freedom," Bush said.

There was no mention of the Turkish parlia-ment's rejection last year of a U.S. request to let American troops use Turkish bases as a staging point to invade Iraq from the north. Instead, Bush emphasized his support for Turkey's hid for admission to the European

"I believe you ought to be given a date by the EU for your eventual acceptance into the EU," he said.

Louis Meixler of The Associated Press contributed to this report in Turkey.



A Turkish demonstrator chants slogans Sunday as she holds a placard that reads "Get out Bush" in Istanbul, Turkey, during a protest just hours before the arrival of President Bush to the city.

Thousands protest in Istanbul

ISTANBUL, Turkey - More than 40,000 demonstrators, some chanting "USA get out of the Middle East!" gathered Sunday in a square to protest the President Bush's visit and an upcoming NATO summit.

Bush is unpopular in Turkey, where the overwhelming majority of the public opposed the Iraq war. The protest in the Kadikoy district, on the Asian side of Istanbul, attracted more than 40,000 people, mostly members of leftist groups, police said There were some 100 foreign protesters from Greece, Britain, the Netherlands, Portugal and "We want to throw NATO out of Istanbul," said Dogan Aytac, a Turkish protester with a flag stuck in his hat that read: "Get out Bush!"

A 20-year-old Greek protester, Odysseas Maaita, said, "We are here to express our solidarity with the Turkish people, with the people of the Middle East and all others that are under attack, to say that we are against NATO "

The summit is to be held on the European side of the city, across the Bosporus, some 6 miles from Kadikoy. Turkey dramatically boosted

security before Bush's arrival and in preparation for the NATO summit, which begins

NATO leader: Iraqi forces to be trained in Iraq and abroad

BY PAUL AMES The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey — NATO's mission to train Iraq's armed forces will involve alliance instructors working both inside and outside the country in a sign of united support for the incoming Iraqi government, NATO Secretary General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer said Sunday.

However, de Hoop Scheffer told reporters it was too early to say how many NATO military personnel would be going to Iraq or when they would be deployed.

"I cannot give you details on numbers as yet," he said.
"NATO is going to do training. Training is essential. ... It can be both inside and outside the country

Several NATO members, particularly Germany, have been reluctant or have refused to send military personnel to Iraq, preferring to conduct training outside the country.

U.S. ambassador Nicholas Burns suggested the training mission could be a first step to still wider NATO involve ment in Iraq. "We should continue to consider other ways that NATO can be helpful in Iraq, beyond training," he

More details of the NATO mission are expected to be announced Monday when President Bush and the other 25 alliance leaders give formal approval for the training operation at a summit in Istanbul

The summit is also scheduled to expand NATO's peace-

keeping mission in Afghanistan. NATO diplomats working late into the night Friday in Brussels agreed to a request from Iraq's interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi for aid in rebuilding Iraq's armed forces after the United States hands sovereignty to his gov-

ernment on Wednesday.

De Hoop Scheffer said the decision was "a clear signal of our willingness to enhance our support for a sovereign Iraqi government."

However, diplomats said big differences remained within the alliance on the details of the training mission.

The United States is urging a major NATO involvement on the ground in Iraq including the setting up of an alliance command in the country. France and Germany are seeking a lower key operation, with NATO playing a coordinating role for national training programs.

Germany says it won't be sending any military personal to Iraq, looking instead to extend its existing training program for Iraqi police officers outside the country

Washington's ambassador said NATO nations should be prepared for a major, long-term operation in Iraq.

"This is going to be a huge undertaking," Burns told a conference ahead of the summit. "It's a job that will require the concerted and collective support of all our allies. This has to be something that NATO commits to for the

De Hoop Scheffer may visit Baghdad soon to discuss the operation with the new Iraqi authorities, said one senior

At least 10 Afghans killed after registering to vote

By NOOR KHAN The Associated Press

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan Suspected Taliban rebels killed at least 10 men after learning they had registered for Afghanistan's U.S.-backed national elections, the deadliest attack yet in a campaign aimed at sabotaging the nation's first free vote, officials said Sunday

The assaults raised security fears and added to doubts over whether Afghanistan is ready to hold elections as planned in September - and increased pressure on NATO leaders meeting Monday in Turkey to deploy more acekeepers here.

News of the killings, which took ace Friday on a road in southern Uruzgan province, emerged a day after a bomb ripped through a bus carrying female election workers in the eastern city of Jalalabad killing two of them and wounding 13. A spokesman for the Talihan claimed responsibility. Time is running out for the joint

U.N.-Afghan electoral authority to decide on the polling date if the election is to be held according to schedule.

According to the electoral law the date must be announced 90

days beforehand - meaning by July 2, if polling takes place on the last day of September. The Uruzgan attack, which left

between 10 and 16 people dead underscored the risks faced by Afghans to exercise their democratic rights, particularly in lawless areas of the country, plagued by Taliban-led insurgents who have threatened more attacks against election workers and voters

Rozi Khan, the Uruzgan police chief, said assailants stopped a van carrying 12 men on a road about 18 miles from the provincial capital, Tirin Kot.

When the gunmen searched their documents and found that

they had registered to vote, they ned fire. Two men escaped and alerted police, who found the 10 bodies but have made no ar-

Obaidullah Khan, the top political administrator of the victims' home district of Uruzgan, confirmed the attack but said 16 peo ple had died, and only one man

nad survived.

It was impossible to immediately account for the discrepancy.

With only three days left for voter registration, only about half of eligible people have signed up

Matthew Pennington of The Associated Press contributed to this report in

nationwide

Serbian election

BELGRADE, Serbia-Montenegro — Serbian voters were choosing Sunday between a hard-line nationalist ally of former presi-dent Slobodan Milosevic and a pro-Western reformer in a run-off election for this Balkan republic's top job.

The presidential vote is seen as

crucial to whether Serbia moves closer to the European Union and NATO or sinks back into the nationalist isolation reminiscent of

Milosevic's autocratic regime. Parliament earlier this year scrapped a 50 percent turnout requirement. Three previous attempts to elect a president failed because too few voters showed up at the polls.

From The Associated Press

FAA: Slide slip-ups too many for comfort

BY LESLIE MILLER

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - American Airlines Flight 1128 was pushing back from the gate at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport last fall when fumes and smoke filled the cabin. The captain declared an emergency and ordered an evacuation.

Flight attendants rushed to deploy four slides so passengers could exit safely to the ground. The tail slide failed to inflate, however, and eight of the 94 people aboard were injured during the

Faulty emergency brought trouble this month to another carrier, United Airlines, when the government recommended a \$1 million fine for operating a Boeing 777 on 263 flights when the plane did not have working slides.

Inspectors from the Federal Aviation Administration found that United's maintenance workers failed to remove a pin from the slides despite an attached streamer with instructions to "re-move before flight." The pins made the slides inoperable.



Passengers evacuate an American Airlines plane in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in 1998. One slide failed to work. The National Transportation Safety Board estimates that slides fail in one-third of all evacuations. Hudson of Aviation Consumer Ac-

Federal safety officials say it is an all-too-common occurrence: planes leave the gate with slides that would not work if they were

Passengers and crew have about 90 seconds to evacuate a plane in an emergency, said Paul

tion Project

Any longer, he said, and 'there's a strong probability they'll die of fire or smoke inhala-

The National Transportation Safety Board estimates that slides fail in about one-third of all evacuations. A board study four years ago found that at least one slide failed to deploy in seven of 19 evacuations during a 14-month

period. "We need to find out why so many slides fail during actual evacuations," said the board's chairman, Ellen Engleman Conners

The board which makes safety recommendations, wants the FAA to require the airlines to test 10 percent of all evacuation slides to identify common problems. The FAA has been reluctant to do that

Each carrier now must test some of its slides, though the rate is much lower than one in 10.

Testing would be more costly for airlines and would require that more planes be taken out of service

"We are actively working to develop an alternate approach that would satisfy the intent of the safety recommendation," spokesman Les Dorr said

The agency recommended last year that airlines ensure maintenance manuals were undated and check parts of the slide assembly such as the pressure in the tank that inflates the device.

The FAA previously had allowed airlines to count inadvertent or emergency slide deployments toward the number of inspections required on slides each year. Last week, the agency said that no longer would be allowed.

Green Party taps Texas lawyer instead of Nader

By J.R. Ross

The Associated Press

MILWAUKEE - The Green Party nominated Texas attorney David Cobb as its candidate for president Saturday, rejecting Ralph Nader's efforts to secure the party's formal endorsement and likely access to the ballot in key states like Wisconsin and California

Nader, the party's candidate in 1996 and 2000, had told Green officials months ago he would not accept the party's nomination for president, preferring to build a coalition of third-party groups and independents rather than running under one banner.

Still, he openly courted their formal endorsement as a means to get on the ballot in the 22 states and Washington, D.C., where the party has a ballot line

But 408 delegates voted for Cobb on the sec-

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ond ballot to give him the nomination. In Oregon, meanwhile, Nader made anoth-

er bid Saturday to get 1,000 people together at a Portland high school to sign a petition to get him on the November ballot as an independent. A sim ilar attempt in April drew 751 people.

State Elections Direc tor John Lindback said Nader supporters turned in 950 petition sheets, most of them with a sin gle signature, although

some of the sheets contained several signa-

The party's endorsement would not have guaranteed Nader the Green Party's ballot

lines. Rather, it would have given state chapter officials the option of presenting Nader as the candidate of their choice for president to state election officials. Still, that prospect was much less daunting than other means for getting on the ballot.

In California, for example, Nader will have to gather more than 150,000 signatures to get on the ballot as an independent.

Nader tapped longtime Green activist Peter Camejo as his running mate this week, a step his supporters hoped would bolster his chanc-

es of winning the party's endorsement. Many Democrats still blame Nader for President Bush's victory four years ago and fear he could still sinhon off enough votes to hand

the Republican a second term.

Nader recently was polling about 6 percent nationally, according to an Associated Press poll conducted by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

Hit-and-run beatings

MILWAUKEE - A large crowd pulled two men from a car and beat them after the driver struck three children and tried to flee Milwaukee County sheriff's officials said.

Two of the children remained hospitalized Sunday, but officials would not release details on their

The car hit two 14-year-olds late Friday as they crossed a street on the city's north side, and the driver made a U-turn and hit a 12-year-old boy, the sheriff's department said.

A large crowd surrounded the car, pulled out the driver and a 29-year-old passenger and beat them, the sheriff's department said. The men were taken to a hosnital with non-life threatening injuries, and charges were pending. Brooks said Saturday. No one in the crowd had been arrested



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Copter crashes kill 5

BARNESVILLE Ga people were killed in a helicopter crash south of Atlanta early Sunday, and two others died after aner helicopter crashed in an Oklahoma river, authorities said.

Three people survived the crash in Oklahoma's Cimarron River late Saturday and were hosnitalized.

Georgia The crashed around 6 a.m. behind a home in Lamar County and killed all three people aboard, said FAA spokeswoman Kathleen Bergen. No one was hurt on the ground.

Killed were the pilot, Wyatt Zane Rogers, and the two passen-gers. Kendall and Kelly Loudermilk, all of Spartanburg, S.C., said Lamar County Sheriff Larry

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Iraq: What it's really like over there

he Internet, which fills our inboxes with spam and scams every day and keeps our delete keys shiny. occasionally delivers a real keeper, such as the words below, which were written by a graduate of West Point, Class of 2003, who's now at war in Iraq.

Joseph L. Galloway

We tracked down the author, who gave us nermission to quote from his letter so long as we didn't reveal his

name Old soldiers in the Civil War coined a phrase for green troops who survived their first taste of battle: "He has seen the elephant.

This Army lieutenant sums up the combat experience better than many a grizzled "Well, I'm here in Iraq, and I've seen it, and done it. I've seen everything you've ever seen in a war movie. I've seen cowardice: I've seen heroism: I've seen fear; and I've seen relief. I've seen blood and brains all over the back of a vehicle, and I've seen men bleed to death surround ed by their comrades. I've seen people throw up when it's all over, and I've seen the same shell-shocked look in 35-year-old experienced sergeants as in 19-year-old privates.

"I've heard the screams - 'Medic! Medic!' I've hauled dead civilians out of cars, and I've looked down at my hands and seen them covered in blood after putting some poor Iraqi civilian in the wrong place at the wrong time into a helicopter. I've seen kids with gunshot wounds, and I've seen kids who've tried to kill me.

"I've seen men tell lies to save lives 'What happened to Sergeant A.?' The reply: 'C'mon man, he's all right — he's wondering if you'll be OK - he said y'all will have a beer together when you get to Germany.'
SFC A. was lying 15 feet away on the other side of the bunker with two medics over him desperately trying to get either a pulse or a breath. The man who asked after SEC A. was himself bleeding from two gut wounds and rasping as he tried to talk with a collapsed lung. One of them made it; one did not

"I've run for cover as fast as I've ever run - I'll hear the bass percussion thump of mortar rounds and rockets exploding as long as I live. I've heard the shrapnel as it shredded through the trailers my men live in and over my head. I've stood, gasping for breath, as I helped drag into a bunker a man so pale and badly bloodied I didn't even recognize him as a soldier I've known for months. I've run across open ground to find my soldiers and make sure I had everyone.

've raided houses, and shot off locks, and broken in windows

them. I've looked into the faces of men who would have killed me if I'd driven nast their IED (improvised explosive device) an hour later. I've looked at men who've killed two people I knew, and saw fear

"I've seen that, sadly, men who try to kill other men aren't monsters, and most of them aren't even brave — they aren't defiant to the last - they're ordinary people. Men are men, and that's it. I've prayed for a man to make a move toward the wire, so I could flip my weapon off safe and put two rounds in his chest — if I could beat my platoon sergeant's shotgun to the punch. I've been wanted dead, and I've wanted to kill

"I've sworn at the radio when I heard one of my classmate's platoon sergeants call over the radio: 'Contact! Contact! IED small arms mortars! One KIA three WIA! Then a burst of staccato gunfire and a frantic cry: 'Red 1, where are you? Where are you?' as we raced to the scene ... knowing full well we were too late for at least one of our comrades.

"I've seen a man without the back of his head and still done what I've been trained to do - 'medic!' I've cleaned up blood and brains so my soldiers wouldn't see it taken pictures to document the scene, like I'm in some sort of bizarre cop show on TV.

"I've heard gunfire and hit the ground, heard it and closed my Humvee door, and heard it and just looked and figured it was too far off to worry about. I've seen men stacked up outside a house, ready to enter - some as scared as they could be, and some as calm as if they were picking up lunch from McDonald's. I've laughed at dead men, and watched a sergeant on the ground, laughing so hard he was crying, because my boots were stuck in a muddy field, all the while an Iraqi corpse was not five feet from him

"I've heard men worry about civilians, and I've heard men shrug and sum up their viewpoint in two words — 'F--- 'em.' I've seen people shoot when they shouldn't have, and I've seen my soldiers take an extra second or two, think about it, and spare somebody's life.

"I've bought drinks from Iraqis while new units watched in wonder from their trucks, pointing weapons in every direction, including the Iragis my men were buying a Pepsi from. I've patrolled roads for eight hours at a time that combat support units spend days preparing to travel 10 miles on. I've laughed as other units sit terrified in traffic, fingers nervously on triggers, while my soldiers and I deftly whip around, drive on the wrong side of the road, and wave to Iraqis as we pass. I can recognize a Sadiqqi (Arabic for friend) from a Haii (Arabic word for someone who has made the pilgrimage to Mecca, but our word for a bad guy); I know who to point my weapons at, and who to let pass.

"I've come in from my third 18-hour pa trol in as many days with a full beard and

hasn't left the wire since we've been here daring him to tell me to shave. He looked at me, looked at the dust and sweat and dirt on my uniform, and went back to typing at his

"I've stood with my men in the mess hall, surrounded by people whose idea of a bad day in Iraq is a six-hour shift manning a radio, and watched them give us a wide berth as we swagger in, dirty, smelly, tired, but sure in our knowledge that we pull the triggers, and we do what the Army does, and they, with their clean uniforms and weapons that have never fired, support us.

"I've given a kid water and Gatorade and made a friend for life. I've let them look through my sunglasses - no one wears them in this country but us - and watched them pretend to be an American soldier - a swaggering invincible machine, secure behind his sunglasses, only because the Iraqis can't see the fear in his eyes.

"I've said it a thousand times - 'God, I hate this country.' I've heard it a million times more — 'This place sucks.' In quieter moments, I've heard more profound things: 'Sir, this is a thousand times worse than I ever thought it would be.' Or, 'My wife and Sgt. B's wife were good friends — I hope she's taking it well.'

"They say they're scared, and say they won't do this or that, but when it comes time to do it they can't let their buddies down, can't let their friends go outside the wire without them, because they know it isn't right for the team to go into the ballgame at any less than 100 percent.

"That's combat, I guess, and there's no way you can be ready for it. It just is what it is, and everybody's experience is different. "Just thought you might want to know what it's really like."

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Social Security's strength shortchanged

BY THOMAS J. HEALEY

ocial Security is in dire straits and must be fixed now. How many times have we heard that refrain? To be sure, strengthening the Social Security system has become a national priority, driven by the common perception that the system cannot survive in its current form and that dramatic measures such as an increase in payroll taxes or the introduction of personal investment accounts are the only workable remedies. It may come as a surprise, then,

to learn that Social Security, which pays benefits to 47 million Americans, has shown significant financial improvement in recent years

How can that be amid so many doomsday forecasts? Consider:

■ In their latest report, released in March, the Social Security trustees estimate that the system's trust funds (its pool of assets from which benefits are paid) will not be exhausted until 2042. This is 13 years later than the 2029 depletion date envisioned in the trustees 1997 report

■ In like fashion, the estimated year in which Social Security's anceed its tax revenue has also reced-ed, from 2012 in a 1997 report to 2018 in a recent accounting

■ In 1997 it appeared that Social Security would go bust before the last of the baby boomers had retired. Now the youngest boomer will be 78 by the projected depletion date, which means the system will be able to cover the bulk of the baby boomers' benefits.

In 1997 this was not expected to be the case.

What does this mean for the long-range health of Social Security? Is the prognosis not nearly as bleak as the public has been led to believe? The honest answer is: No one knows. After an increasingly nessimistic outlook in the early 90s there has been a noticeable improvement in the past seven years.

If the tide seems to have turned in Social Security's favor, no one can say with certainty whether the improvements are permanent. Indeed, looking at a relatively short seven-year period may lead to incorrect conclusions about long-term changes in the actuarial projections. If we are interested in ensuring the viability of a program on which many millions of Ameri cans depend, we must search for more fundamental answers based on a thorough analysis of the assumptions around key demographic and economic indicators

One of those indicators is the anticipated reduction in the worker-to-beneficiary ratio — the steamroller behind Social Security's projected deficits. (The lower the ratio, the fewer workers available to support the system and the heavier the burden each worker must bear.) The Social Security actuaries project a permanent drop in the number of workers per ber ficiary from its current level of 3.3 to 2.0 by 2040. Most of the decline takes place from 2013 to 2030 as baby boomers retire.

How reliable, though, can long-term projections be given the historical variability in fertility rates and immigration levels, both of which have an enormous impact on the worker-to-beneficiary ratio? Social Security projections are hased on a conservative "helow-replacement" rate over the next 75 years. Likewise, the level of immigration assumed by the government over that period is well below



47 James State Somewhat 7 current levels. Given that immigra-

tion is in large part under government control, any effort that increases immigration should increase the ratio.

Complex though these issues are, they must be at the heart of any debate over the future viability of Social Security. The recent

strengthening of the system's financial vital signs is encouraging, but it should also reinforce the uncertainty of long-term actuarial proiections and encourage vigilance to keep Social Security sound.

Thomas J. Healey was an assistant Treasury secretary under President Reagan. This column first appeared in The Washington Post.

Discovering whether Stripes stories cover all bases

April, which marked the first anniversary of the fall of Baghdad to the U.S.-led coalition forces, I undertook an in-depth look at the performance of Stars and Stripes in the coverage of events in the Mideast. I have collected

tearsheets from the Eu-

ropean, Mideast and

Pacific editions and

plan a series of col-

■ Iraq war news di-

vided into two parts.

The first would be an

overall review of the

volume and quality of

wire service material

The second would be

on the work of Stripes

staffers in providing

umns on five topics:

Ombudsman



other source

to the action as possible. It provides a well-balanced news report that meets its mission of being "the hometown paper away The technology plan put in place with con-

solidation five years ago makes possible a complete newspaper with late news with virtually no extra staff. It is printed in two locations in the Mideast with pages being sent by satellite from the central office in Washington. A third test of a mini-press that can produce about 500 papers a day is under way at a third location

■ Iraq war news: Stripes publishes five to seven stories about Iraq each day. At least and often two or three — are special military-interest material written by Stripes staffers. One issue I am exploring is the proportion of special-interest material to basic coverage from The Associated Press

One of the more interesting Iraq stories in May (on the 18th for the European and Mid-east editions and the 19th for the Pacific editions) was by The Associated Press. For the European and Mideast editions, the first paragraph read: "A roadside bomb containing deadly sarin nerve agent exploded near a U.S. military convoy, the U.S. military said Monday. It was believed to be the first confirmed discovery of any of the banned weapons that the United States cited in making the case for the Iraq war." Pacific editions got the same first sentence, but the rest of the naragraph was worded differently

The story properly received mention on the front page of Stripes' Europe and the Mideast editions with reference to the story on Page 5. It also appeared in the U.S. papers I read, but none on the front page. I haven't seen a follow-up. And it will be interesting to see if there will be one

■ The front page: Stripes uses a distinctive tabloid format and features, even in the Mideast edition, a balance of headlines that reflects a world that is more than the Iraq conflict. I am still in the process of tabulating the variety of stories on the front page and how many times the main story is about

Letters: The number published per week is down about 10 percent from the very high number in the early days of the war, but the letter writers remain feisty. But there was only one letter on mail delivery and it was very positive about the service.

■ Presidential politics: The volume has

been light but whenever there has been a nolitical issue both candidates have their say in separate stories under separate headlines

One unusual note to report from the ombudsman front. I have been receiving in the last couple of months several queries a week from a veteran or his children or grandchildren seeking a copy of the story or picture of him during World War II in Stripes. The veteran always writes how much Stripes was part of his life in those days. The children and/or grandchildren also say their father was fond of Stripes and wishes he had a copy of the story or picture.

The ombudsman sends these queries to the Stripes librarian if there is a specific time frame that can be researched quickly. If not, I suggest they go to the Library of Congress or New York Public Library and go through the microfilm to try to find the edition and the page with the story and/or pic-

Send comments to Joe Ungaro at: Ombudsman, Stars and Stripes, 529 14th St. NW, Suite 350, Washington, D.C. 20045-1301. Phone civillan +1(401) 364-6032; 4x +1(401) 364-8696; or e-mail ombudsman@stripes.osd.mil

Mallard Fillmore

of the first year continued? ■ Presidential politics — How much coverage and is it fair and balanced?

And the plan is to continue to collect material as the columns are being written. As benchmarks I have been looking at

that special information which is of interest

primarily to those troops in Iraq - in effect,

the military news that isn't covered by any

overplayed or underplayed? Is there a bal-

ance of headlines on the front page? ■ Keeping in touch with military forces elsewhere in the world - Has Stripes become preoccupied with Iraq?

■ Overall front page display — Is Iraq

■ Letters to the Editor — Has the volume

The New York Times, USA Today, The Wall Street Journal, The Providence (R.I.) Journal and my local hometown Westerly (R.I.) Sun, which is on the p.m. cycle and provides breaking Iraq news from The Associated Press that is not in the U.S. morning papers but available for use in some Stripes editions.

Some early reactions

■ The new Mideast edition: It is limited to 32 pages and very few ads. It is following the long tradition of Stripes publishing as close



Third floor: Stratosphere and satellites

W.Va. scientist sees space elevator reaching 62,000 miles into space

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush wants to return to the moon and put a man on Mars. But scientist Bradley C. Edwards has an idea that's really out of this world: an elevator that climbs 62,000 miles into space.

Edwards thinks an initial version could be operating in 15 vears, a vear earlier than Bush's 2020 timetable for a return to the moon. He pegs the cost at \$10 billion, a pittance compared with other space endeavors.

"It's not new physics - nothing new has to be discovered, nothing new has to be invented from scratch," he says. "If there are delays in budget or delays in whatever, it could stretch, but 15 years is a realistic estimate for when we could have one up."

Edwards is not just some guy with an idea. He's head of the space elevator project at the Institute for Scientific Research in Fairmont, W.Va. NASA already has given it more than \$500,000 to study the idea, and Congress has earmarked \$2.5 million more.

"A lot of people at NASA are excited about the idea," said Robert Casanova, director of the NASA Institute of Advanced Concepts in Atlanta.

Edwards believes a space elevator offers a cheaper, safer form of space travel that eventually could be used to carry explorers to the planets.

Edwards' elevator would climb



With an artist rendering of the proposed space elevator behind him, Bradley C. Edwards of the Institute for Scientific Research gestures during an interview at the institute in Fairmont, W.Va., on Feb. 11, in this video image. President Bush wants to return to the moon and put a man on Mars, but Edwards has an idea that's really out of this world: an elevator that climbs 62.000 miles into space.

on a cable made of nanotubes tiny bundles of carbon atoms many times stronger than steel The cable would be about three feet wide and thinner than a piece of paper, but capable of supporting a payload up to 13 tons.

The cable would be attached to a platform on the equator, off the Pacific coast of South America where winds are calm, weather is good and commercial airplane flights are few. The platform would be mobile so the cable could be moved to get out of the path of orbiting satellites.

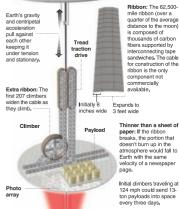
David Brin, a science-fiction writer who formerly taught physics at San Diego State University, believes the concept is solid but doubts such an elevator could be operating by 2019.

"I have no doubt that our great-grandchildren will routinely use space elevators," he said. "But it will take another generation to gather the technologies needed."

Edwards' institute is holding a third annual conference on space elevators in Washington starting Monday. A keynote speaker at the three-day meeting will be John Mankins. NASA's manager of human and robotics technology. Organizers say it will discuss tech-

Elevator to the heavens

A bout 90 percent to 99 percent of the space travel expense comes from rocket propulsion. An elevator into space could possibly cut those costs by transporting cargo without rockets. Scientist Dr. Bradley C. Edwards believes a space elevator constructed with primarily existing materials could be built in 15 years for \$10 billion.



650-ton counterweight Ribbon: The 62 500-

mile ribbon (over a quarter of the average distance to the moon) is composed of thousands of carbon fibers supported by interconnecting tape sandwiches. The cable for construction of the ribbon is the only component not available.

3 feet wide

paper: If the ribbon breaks, the portion that doesn't burn up in the atmosphere would fall to Earth with the same velocity of a newspaper page.

Initial climbers traveling at 124 mph could send 13ton payloads into space every three days.

Power beaming: Laser light aimed

electricity. The intensity on the panels

at the photo array is converted to

Ecuador on a is 10 times that of the sun, but birds refurbished floating and airplanes can fly through it oil platform. without being harmed. Ecuador rarely has

lightning or tropical storms.

ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day Look before you bid

NEW YORK - While almost anything can be found at online auction sites, you may want to look closely to make sure you're getting a good deal before bidding

In her book "eBay for Dummies," marketing expert Marsha Collier outlines the basics for successful buying and selling on eRay the international auction Web site that attracts tens of millions of users. Buyers and sellers alike sign up for free accounts to use the site, trafficking in everything from valuable heirlooms to kitschy collectibles

To do well as a buyer, Collier recommends the following:

- Find out as much as you can about the item's value, history and condition.
- Read the item description carefully. Your winning bid is almost always considered a bind-

ing agreement to buy the item. So before you bid, find out if the item is new or used, an original or a reproduction, in its original packaging or under warranty, and so on

- Note the cost of shipping the item - it could push the total price above what you'd reasonably expect to pay in stores. If the cost isn't listed, ask the seller for an estimate. If the item is valuable or fragile, ask about packing methods (will it cost extra for bubble wrap?) and shipping insurance.
- Check the seller's reputation or feedback score Each eBay user's buying and selling transactions are recorded with feedback from the other party.
- Bid in odd increments. Collier said hidders often use 25-cent increments, so entering a maximum bid of \$8.26 instead of \$8.25 could help you win without overly inflating the bid.

Source: Institute for Scientific Research Inc. nical challenges and solutions and the economic feasibility of the elevator proposal

Anchored west of

The space elevator is not a new idea A Russian scientist Konstantin Tsiolkovsky, envisioned it a century ago. And Arthur C. Clar-ke's novel "The Fountains of Paradise," published in 1979, talks of a space elevator 24,000 miles high and permanent colonies on the moon, Mercury and Mars.

The difference now, Edwards said, is "we have a material that we can use to actually build it. He envisions launching sections of cable into space on rock-

A "climber" — his version of an elevator car — would then be attached to the cable and used to add more lengths of cable until eventually it stretches down to the Earth. A counterweight would be attached to the end in space.

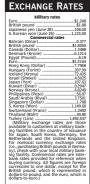
Edwards likens the design to "spinning a ball on a string around your head." The string is the cable and the ball on the end is a counterweight. The Earth's rotation would keep the cable taut.

The elevator would be powered by photo cells that convert light into electricity. A laser attached to the platform could be aimed at the elevator to deliver the light, Edwards said.

Edwards said he probably needs about two more years of development on the carbon nanotubes to obtain the strength need-

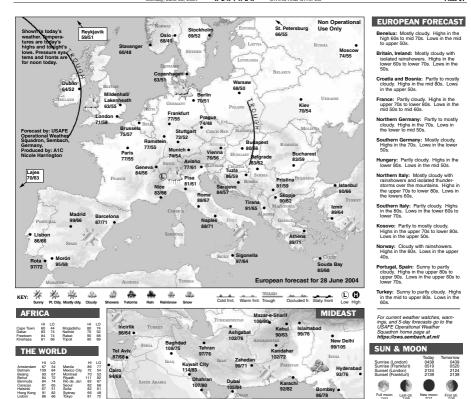
After that, he believes work on the project can begin.

"The major obstacle is probably just politics or funding and those two are the same thing. said. "The technical, I don't think that's really an issue anymore.



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Land use clash

NV RENO — Reno city mending that the city annex 7,500 acres in Cold Springs, where a developer plans to build nearly 6,900 homes.

The move threatens to strain relations with Washoe County, Many Cold Springs residents say the annexation would ruin their rural lifestyle

County officials say the city's report ignores current zoning and regional planning goals.

Wetlands in danger

MA BOSTON — A plan by state environmental officials to amend the rules that protect wetlands could lead to the destruction of some of the state's most fragile ecosystems, environmentalists say.

The rules being written by state

Department of Environmental Protection officials could be in place as soon as the fall.

The department, which has had its budget cut drastically, said the changes will allow staff to stop spending time on minor violations and instead concentrate efforts on landowners who are illegally filling in larger areas of wetlands.

City school clean-up

CHICAGO - Mayor Richard M. Daley announced plans to close the city's worst-perform-ing schools and replace most of them with charter and contract schools using private-sector money and ideas.

By 2010, more than 10 percent of the city's schools would be re-created — one-third as charter schools, one third as independently operat-ed contract schools and the remainder as smaller schools run by the

district.

The third-largest public school system in the nation, Chicago has almost 600 schools and more than 431 000 students. The changes have already begun at some

Not the smartest choice

TX HOUSTON — The chief prosecutor in the nation's fourth largest city is a victim of identity theft after a woman with a history of fraud allegedly obtained his bank account number and is now accused of writing hot checks.

Harris County District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal had to shut down his bank account, contact police and draw money out of his children's savings account temporari-

30-year-old Beaumont woman, Sharon Durbin, allegedly wrote nearly two dozen phony checks on the DA's personal bank checks on the DA's personal account, investigators say. She passed herself off as "Cathy Rosenthal" and had a fake driver's license to match.

Attacked by a deer

MOUNT HOLLY — A
4-year-old boy in Mt. Holly was slightly injured when he was attacked by a whitetail deer outside his hon

Will McCullough suffered abrasions to the back of one leg after a mature doe charged and struck him with its hooves Monday morn-

The boy's father, William Mc-Cullough, said the boy is doing fine but is shaken by the incident.

ing to court records. The person also claimed to have pornographic pictures and videos of children, the records say.

Roof collapse

TX GALVESTON — The roof at a Home Depot store in Galveston partially collapsed, possibly due to heavy rains that continued to drench the area.

No one was injured when the roof came down after 6 a.m.

"It is certainly possible that the heavy rain had an impact with water on the roof, but it will take us a little while to get in and determine a cause," said Eliot Jennings, Galveston County's emergency management coordi

Jennings said the area around the store, which wasn't open at the time of the collapse, had been secured Friday morning as investiga-tors tried to determine what caused the roof to fall.

Coach under fire

TN KNOXVILLE — A softball coach who disappeared last year with one of his teenage play-ers waived extradition in court Friday and will return to Oregon to face charges.

Andrew James Garver, 39, of Beaverton, Ore., will remain jailed in Knox County until Oregon officials take him into custody. He did not speak during the brief court apnearance

Garver surrendered to police Wednesday after he and the girl were involved in a minor traffic accident. Knoxville police said they believed Garver and the girl had been living in the city since they disappeared in September

Not very consistent

OH TOLEDO — A bar owner who sought to extinguish The investigation began June 17 when an undercover officer in the city's smoking ban has become Gloucester County engaged in an the first tavern operator to come under fire for violating it.

Bill Delaney, owner of Delaney's Lounge, was convicted Tuesday in Toledo Municipal Court of 11 misdemeanors, including having ash travs available and failing to post no-smoking signs. Authorities also

found people smoking in his bar.

Delaney faces a \$100 fine on
each violation when he is sentenced July 17. Several other bar owners also have been charged with violations.

Delaney was a leader of "Tav-erns for Tots," which formed after the ban. Bar owners created the charity to take advantage of a loophole that allows smoking in private clubs and at private social functions

A judge ruled it was not a legitimate organization

Halloween murder

VA LOUISA — A jury convict-ed a Louisa County woman of first-degree murder for killing her 6-year-old daughter on Hallow-een 2002.

The panel recommended a 30-year prison sentence for Pamela Whindleton. Sentencing was scheduled for Sent 8

Louisa County Commonwealth's Attorney R. Don Short introduced evidence and witnesses at the four-day trial that showed Whindle ton, 40, suffocated her daughter Diamond before shooting herself in the head in a botched suicide attempt. The woman suffered a brain injury from the gunshot and uses crutches to get around.



Researchers check out the anes at Outside looking in the Lincoln Park Zoo's nev Regenstein Center for African Apes in Chicago. The new \$26 million habitat brings realism and interaction to a new level.



Spinnin' their wheels Barbara Odanaka, of Laguna Beach, Calif., left, and Alison McGuire, of Exton, Penn., try to coordinate a skateboarding stunt during the "Mighty Mama Skate-o-Rama" gathering in New York's Riverside Park.



Row, row, row your boat The paddlewheeler Spirit or Peoria passes by spectators in Davenport, Iowa, during the Grand Excursion 2004 parade of boats.



AMERICAN

ROUNDUP

WA OLYMPIA — A 32-year-old man has been charged with intentionally exposing at least 17 women to the AIDS

virus after he ignored an order

from health officials to stop having

Four of the women have tested positive for HIV.

Anthony E. Whitfield faced 17 counts of first-degree assault with

sexual motivation as well as charg-

es of witness-tampering and violat-

ing no-contact orders involving

seven-year employee of Portsmouth public schools has

been jailed on charges that he pos-

sessed pornographic photos of

boys, some of whom he met when

Kelly Karl Bowen, 30, was or-

dered held without bond on nine

counts of possessing child pornog-raphy and one count of using a

computer to solicit sex with a

child. Authorities said they are

looking for more victims.

School porn charges

VA PORTSMOUTH

Alleged AIDS assault

unprotected sex.

two of the women.

he was a teacher.

Nose to nose

The Concorde aircraft, the slender white jetliner, opens to public tours at its new home on the Hudson River next to the Intrepid Sea-Air-Space museum. It's a comedown for the plane that still held the transatlantic commercial speed record when it was retired last year.



Up, up and away

Hot air balloons drift over Lake Chemung during the 20th Michiga Challenge Balloonfest in Howell, Mich.



Only skin deep Surfside, Fla. Unlike snakes, who shed their skin in one piece, Anole's skin flakes off in pieces, which they often eat for their nutritional value.



Visitors view a portion of the Dale Chihuly exhibit on display at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art in Oklahoma City. The museum has exceeded its \$3 million campaign goal to purchase a 2,400-piece art glass exhibit by Chihuly.



More than 2.700 nude models pose for photographer Spencer Tunick in d town Cleveland. Tunick specializes in nude photo shoots.

Old school reunion

PA MECHANICSBURG The Class of 1932 at Mechanicsburg High School has met every year for a reunion, except when Hurricane Agnes doused plans for the 40th in 1972.

The numbers have dwindled sharply from the original 84 class members, however, Last year, four classmates gathered. This year's reunion will be at a table for two.

Rachel Snavely, 89, of Silver Spring Township, and Frank McGuire, 91, of Hartford, Conn., will meet at the Dodge City Restaurant in Harrisburg

Armored car heist

HOUSTON — About \$1 mil-lion, mostly in checks made payable to the Harris County tax assessor-collector's office, remained missing after a robbery at the armored car and security business that transported the funds.

Two men robbed Triple D Secu rity Sunday afternoon, making off with the checks and about \$50,000 in cash paid to the tax office.

Each day the county office takes in large amounts of cash and checks from residents paying property taxes and vehicle registra-

History for sale

RI PROVIDENCE — The Rhode Island Historical Society may begin selling some of its assets - possibly including furniture - to raise money for the financially troubled organization.

Leaders revealed on Thursday the society has been mismanaged, and is now in financial peril, according to The Providence Jour-

nal The society's executive director. Bernard Fishman, said the group needs to increase its endowment from \$4.7 million to \$14.7 million.

The society is reviewing its collection to see what could be sold. It includes furniture, one piece that's valued at more than \$11 mil-

Rafter dies on first trip

AK ANCHORAGE — A man died after being thrown from his raft during a treacherous portion of a whitewater rafting trip, state troopers said.

Clarence Savage, 52, of Chicago, was sucked underwater Thursday after the raft struck a canvon wall during the guided trip at Sixmile Creek in southern Alaska, said Greg Wilkinson, an Alaska State Troopers spokesman.

Savage was not breathing when he surfaced soon after. Wilkinson

48 arrested in drug bust

ELMIRA - Police who said they uncovered a cocaine and marijuana distribution network arrested 48 neonle Thursday and sought several others.

About 230 officers participated in Thursday's raids, which begin in the early morning. Searches of 10 sites in Chemung County yielded two handguns, one assault rifle. about \$14,000 in cash, 3 ounces of cocaine and about 2 pounds of marijuana, authorities said.

The drug distribution network had been operating between Syracuse and Elmira, police said.

for several people who remained at large. Police said they were Jason A. Fullwood. 26, of Elmira: Joshua K. Keana, 23, of Corning; Jend M. Reilly, 24, of Elmira; Eug-ine J. Sabatini, 26, of Elmira, and David A. Vanhorn, 27, of Chemung.

When bears attack

NC CHARLOTTE — Denton Turner figured he was dead already

So he didn't cry out, didn't move, didn't even open his eyes as a bear attacked him last week at Yellowstone National Park.

"The way he was biting me, I thought that I would be so torn up, I'd lay there and die," Turner, 19, told The Charlotte Observer by telephone from the park in Wyoming.
The Charlotte native, a sopho-

more at Appalachian State University, suffered bruises, lacerations, puncture wounds to his back and a bite below his right armoit.

Yellowstone officials have since reopened the trail where the attack occurred, with strong bear warnings posted.

Park snokeswoman Stacy Vallie said 27 bear attacks have been reported in the park since 1980, with two resulting in deaths. Some 300 to 600 grizzlies live in the greater Yellowstone area, she said

Graffiti cleaner killed

CA LOS ANGELES — A man was shot to death Thursday while removing graffiti from store fronts for an anti-gang organiza-

Two suspected gang members were being sought, a police spokeswoman said

Miguel Rafael Gomez, 35, died in the Boyle Heights neighborhood where he was working for Homeboy Industries, an organization that helps former gang memhers stay off the streets and contracts with the city to remove graf-

Gomez came to the organization to turn his life around after being released from prison, said the Rev. Gregory Boyle, founder of the organization.

"He was a real good kid," Boyle said. "These things are senseless.

Tax preparer fraud

NH CONCORD — A tax preparer who ran hotel seminars to teach people how to avoid paying federal income taxes was sentenced Thursday to nine years in prison on multiple counts of preparing false returns.

Steven Swan, 51, of Manchester, was convicted in February in U.S. District Court of 15 counts of preparing the false returns and amended returns for others; two counts of preparing false returns for himself; and one count of corruptly impeding the administra-tion of the federal tax laws.

Under federal law, Swan will not be eligible for parole.

"All citizens must pay their fair share of the costs of the freedom and privileges living in this country," U.S. Attorney Thomas Colantuono said. "The substantial sentence imposed in this case should serve as a clear warning to those attracted by tax protesters' false claim that there is no legal requirement to pay federal income taxes

Candid camera

Arrest warrants had been issued

Sign of the times



Former President Bill Clinton jokes with Maxine Price and Peggy Price at a book-signing event for his new book "My Life" in Los Angeles, Calif., on Saturday.

Yes or no?

Study finds TV sends teens mixed messages about sex

BY LYNN ELBER

LOS ANGELES — Teenagers and parents in TV fiction often portray healthy relationships but television sends young viewers mixed messages about sex, a new study shows

Parent-child clashes were depicted but the conflicts tended to be seen as a "normal" part of family life and the interaction was equally likely to be cooperative, researchers found.

When it comes to sex, teenagers receive a "highly inconsistent picture of what sexual relations are and can be," the study concluded.

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"Explicit and implicit lessons ranged from Virginity is a sign that a boy is a loser' to Teens don't need to be sexually active to be cool," according to the study released Thursday.

The study was conducted during 2001 and 2002 by researchers at Stanford University in California and Lewis & Clark College in Oregon and by independent researchers. It was organized by the nonprofit group Mediascope

with funding from the W. T. Grant Foundation.
The study included interviews with 45 network executives, producers and writers and an analysis of the content of "The Simpsons," "Boston Public," "Gilmore Girls," "ER" and other series.

The TV industry feels a responsibility toward the teenage audience but is split over what that obligation entails, the study concluded.

None of the industry members involved in the study denied that TV affects young viewers, said Stanford professor Donald Roberts.

In the past, the industry insisted that viewing had little or no effect on youngsters, Roberts said in a statement.

'Fahrenheit 9/11' tops \$8M on first day

LOS ANGELES — "Fahrenheit 9/11," Michael Moore's assault on President Bush, took in \$8.2 million to \$8.4 million in its first day, positioning it as the weekend's No. 1 film, its distributors said Saturday.

Based on Friday's numbers, "Fahrenheit 9/11" was on track for an opening weekend that would surpass the \$21.6 million total gross of Moore's "Bowling for Columbine," his 2002 film that earned him an Academy Award for best documentary.

"Fahrenheit 9/11" benefited from a flurry of praise and condemnation. Supporters mobilized liberal-minded audiences to see it over opening weekend to counter efforts by some right-wing groups to discredit the film.

"Fahrenheit 9/11" paints Bush as a neglectful president who ignored terrorism warnings before Sept. 11, then stirred up fear of more attacks to win public support for the Iraq war. **AFRTS Television Schedule**

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Beenie Man the homophobe?

A concert by Beenie Man was canceled after police questioned the Jamaican dancehall star about his allegedly homophobic lyrics, the Ocean nightclub said Fri-

> Beenie Man, whose real name is Anthony Davis, had been set to appear in **London** on Thursday night as nart of his European tour.

The 30-year-old performer is one of the biggest names in the dancehall scene and had a top 10 hit with his single "Dude." But human-rights campaigners say songs such as "Bad Man Chi Chi Man (Bad Man, Queer

Man)" could incite violence against gay men. In a statement, Ocean nightclub in Hackney, east Lon-don, said the cancellation followed "concerns for public safety and following discussions with the Metropolitan Po-

Police said they didn't ask for the concert to be canceled

Newspaper editor knighted

Harold Evans, former editor of The Times and The Sunday Times, was knighted by Prince Charles for his service to journalism.

"It is very exciting, it is wonderful," Evans, 75, said Friday after receiving his knighthood at Buckingham Palace. "I want to divide it up into 140 bits. Most of my success comes from colleagues, so I call

them all knightlets." The son of a railway worker, Evans first rose through the ranks to become editor of the Northern Echo newspaper. But it was at the helm of The Sunday Times, which he led for 14 years, that he achieved his greatest fame as a campaigning journal



After his stint on national newspapers in Britain, he moved to the United States with his wife, Tina Brown, who is now a columnist for The Washington Post

Evans, who will return to Britain in October for the publication of his latest book, was joined at the ceremo his wife and their children, George, 18, and Isabel, 13.

Diana Ross sings for the home folks

Diana Ross took more than 2,000 people on a trip down memory lane during a 90-minute concert in her hometown of Greenwich, Conn., that bene-

fited a local teen center. Ross performed nearly two dozen of her most popular songs from her 40-year career Thursday night, the Greenwich Time reported. General seating for the concert

was free, but some 400 people paid \$250 to \$1,000 for premium seating near the stage

"Thank you," the 60-year-old sing-er said to the crowd during one of her breaks. "I can't see you all but I know you all are there.

INXS 'really' looking for singer

Australian rock band INXS, which has kept going with guest vocalists since Michael Hutchence died in 1997, has enlisted reality TV guru Mark Burnett to help them find a new singer.

Burnett's reality series "Rock Star" will air next summer on CBS, the network announced Thursday

His obvious model is Fox's "American Idol." Burnett will hold auditions in the United States and in London, Tokyo and Sydney, Australia. The top contenders will live together in Hollywood and compete live each week.

INXS, which had the hits "What You Need" and "Need You Tonight," will embark on a world tour with their new

Burnett's pedigree as producer of "Survivor" and "The Apprentice" made "Rock Star" a concept eagerly sought by the TV networks.

Stories and photos from The Associated Pres-



Love and physical comedy

Ben Stiller and wife Christine Taylor take lumps in 'Dodgeball'

BY JOE NEUMAIER

New York Daily News

Ben Stiller says there was some damage done while filming "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story," opening Friday. Unfortunately, it was to his wife and co-star, Christine

"Yeah, I hit her in the face with a ball," Stiller says sheep ishly. "And you know, something like that can really effect a relationship

"But I had to hit her, for the script. Then I was aiming for

[co-star] Vince Vaughn and got Christine twice.
"And no matter what you say afterward, if you hit somebody in the face with a dodgeball, they're just not happy

Taylor says she gave her husband the benefit of the doubt. "He got the side of my face — I had ringing in my ears, tears welling up. I said, 'Don't worry, I know you weren't aiming for me,' and Ben said, 'Of course I was aiming for you!' He could've gotten out of it; he didn't take it!"
"It's a sport of exclusion, violence and degradation," says

Stiller. "But that doesn't mean it's not fun."

In "Dodgeball," Stiller plays White Goodman, the oafish, unitard-wearing owner of a mega-gym franchise intent on

buying the run-down exercise center across the street, owned by Peter LaFleur (Vaughn). To avoid foreclosure, Peter and a group of out-of-shape losers enter a dodgeball tournament

Taylor is the lawyer who joins them to face White on the dodgeball court.

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"Being the villain was one of the reasons I wanted to do
this," says Stiller, who this year already has played a
put-upon leading man in "Along Came Polly," a heroic goof
in "Starsky & Hutch" and a jealous loser in "Envy.
Stiller, 38, and Taylor, 32 (who played Marcia in 1995's

"The Brady Bunch Movie" and its sequel), met when she auditioned in 1999 for a never-aired TV show Stiller was directing called "Heat Vision and Jack." They married in 2000 and made the fashion-industry spoof "Zoolander" in 2001.

At the "Heat" audition, Taylor says, she thought she

wasn't his type. "He thought I was too Marcia Brady for the role, which was sort of a '70s female sheriff. He told me to 'try and be



Ben Stiller and his wife. Christine Taylor, stars of the new film "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story," pose at the premiere of the film in Los Angeles on June 14.

Once they were dating, Stiller recounts, "We never said, 'Let's go make a movie' — it just happened that we've worked together a few times. It's very unforced." But they're not interested in becoming a "comedy team,

like his parents, Jerry Stiller and Anne Meara, who would work out routines in their upper West Side apartment while Ben was growing up.

"I don't ever want to be billed as a 'funny couple'; that's a rnoff," Stiller says. "Like, 'Hey, come see the funny cou-

turnor, 'Stiller says. "Like, 'riey, come see the tunny out-ple!" "It would be too much," agrees Taylor. But she knows when to let boys be boys. "Ben and Vince together can just let their humor go, and they're like lightning," she says. "If I can get something funny in, I'm lucky.

"But I'd never try to top them — they might hit me in the face with a ball!"

Horoscope

The slinky, sexy Scorpio moon fits perfectly with the other water-sign persuasions overhead. Psychic senses are turned way up, and you don't have to know Joyce Jillson much about a situation to know if it's right for you or not. Consider how you're coming across. Everyone is in the mood to help out someone gracious and chic,

so keep this in mind TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 28). This year brings so many emotional highs, you'll be bursting with self-eynression. New talents emerge in July that cause you to make changes at work Finances turn for the better in August. Travel is featured in the early fall — singles find romance while out of their element. Work on your physical self gives you confidence in October

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

You're so likeable, it would be hard to find anyone who could side against you now. But as a Mars-ruled individual, you'll still go looking! Life without conflict is boring, right? Your love life benefits from figurative thinking.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Welcome controversy. Friends who don't agree can be the luckiest relationship you've got now. Some where between your differing points of view may lie the elusive answer to a question that affects more than one area of your life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your reputation proceeds you. Find

out 1) if what people are saying is accurate and 2) if it's the impression you want to give. How would you like to hear yourself described? There's a chance to alter neonle's perception of you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your faithfulness leads you down a

path different from the one followed by those who are less devoted. You'll be rewarded for standing in your truth, even if it seems like a treacherous road

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You go from bubbly to sassy to crazy, and it's all adorable to the one who's nuts about you. Make a smart

change at work. Doing your job the same way every day is one sure way to become obsolete.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Prepare for anything to happen. You could get held up by someone with a notoriously cavalier attitude toward time. Singles on the prowl

have luck making a connection if willing to be the one to get the party

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It will be a

challenge to put your head into work when your mind is busy spinning on more pleasurable pu suits. Since it's nearly impossible to control that gray matter now, give in to the muse. But try to look busy!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A possessive relationship can make you feel incredibly important and insanely restricted all at once. It's lucky to stop and wonder what this co-dependent sweetie is so worried about - could be there's a basis for that fear

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Self-control is the issue you've got plenty, but there are people around you losing it! You may have to stand up for someone who is unable to defend himself or herself. Ah, well, another day, another heroic move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19). You're all business! Goods will be produced and services delivered as efficiently as possible. "I'll get to it later" simply won't do! Hone communication skills - the sexiest set of tools you could use to attract a quality romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The more people you involve in your

collaboration, the more compromising you'll have to do - are you really willing? Your love life is improved by a change of schedule.

Being hard to reach is part of why you're so desired.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're in a rather serious mood. The

more emotionally removed you are from a conflict, the stronger your position will be. The connection you share with a Libra person is remark-

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: K equals L

Mom wants dog away from kids

Dear Abby: My sister-in-law bought a pit bull. Because I have small children and am con cerned about their safety, I asked her not to bring the dog to my

house. She agreed. However, my in-laws frequently baby-sit our children.

Although my mother-in-law promised that she would not allow the pit bull there when my children are at her home, my father-in-law now says that this places him in an awkward position. He doesn't want to choose between seeing his daughter - who likes to bring her pit bull with her everywhere - and having my kids there.

He has asked me to reconsider. I feel strongly that I should stand firm, even if it means my in-laws no longer baby-sit, which will be a loss to my children. What is your advice?

Worried Mom in Ann Arbor Dear Worried Mom: Small

children should not be left unsu pervised with any breed of dog. Children are unpredictable and could unwittingly do something

to frighten or agitate the animal It would be nice if you and your sister-in-law could coordinate the visits of the kids and the

dog. However, if that is not possible, unless you are absolutely certain that your children would not be injured it's better to err on the side of caution and stand firm.

Dear Abby: I have a friend in her early 40s who is dying of cancer, "Claire" had a

Class II pap test years ago, but she never went back for a recheck

Claire now has only a short time left. She leaves an adoring husband and three teenagers. Please remind your readers once again how important it is to follow through as instructed by

their physician. My friend's death might have been prevent-

Grieving in California

Dear Grieving: Sometimes people with many responsibili-ties place themselves low on their list of priorities. Your friend may have been one of those she may have been afraid to return to the doctor. But one thing is certain, whatever had news the doctor might have to deliver, the WORST is that because the patient procrastinated the condition has become so advanced that it's impossible to

P.S. Test results are usually available in about a week.

If a patient hasn't heard from the doctor's office by then, the patient should contact the doc-

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Young mother gets no respect

Dear Annie: 1 am 18

vears old and have a 6-month-old son "Jack I realize I am rather young, but I love my child as much as any mother. My problem is e I get when the respon we are out together in public

At the park one evening last week, a middle-aged woman walked over and said. That child is too little

for a swing. Did his mother give you permission to put him in it?" I was furious. At our county fair. I overheard a woman behind me say to her companion, "Oh my goodness! Do you see that child with a baby? I'll bet she's not a day out of junior high school. They shouldn't let people like that leave the hospital with the poor infant."

Annie, I am a college student. I work hard and get excellent grades, Because I'm young, it's assumed I am a terrible mother. and it's not true. I am a wonderful mother, and I make sure my

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Abby

son has everything he needs. Do I have to wear a bag over my head? What do I say to

these people? — Young Mother

in California Dear Mom: You don't have to say any thing to these people. It's not their husiness If they auestion your authority as a parent, simply tell them, "I'm his mother. Thanks for

caring enough to ask" - because that actually is what these people are doing, albeit rudely. Don't worry. In a few years

(too few), you'll love being so youthful that you are mistaken for the baby sitter. Hang in there

Dear Annie: Like most of the world, you two are book smart and street dumb when it comes to handicapped parking. I never have figured out how someone can navigate around a three-acre mall but still require handicapped parking. If you can't walk from the middle of a parking lot,

how can you walk around the mall? I think handicapped park-

ing is one of the most grossly misused, politically correct privileges ever allowed. You would think a guy in my position would be more sensitive, but I see the abuses every day. Handicapped parking should be reserved for wheelchairs.

- President of an Assisted Health Care Service in Kansas Dear President: Whew. Hope you feel better now. We aren't as stupid as you think. We know the system is abused. Nonetheless,

we're sticking with our position A person who can barely breathe, yet does not require a wheelchair, can manage a certain number of steps before rest becomes necessary. Insisting that he or she walk from the middle of the parking lot adds to that distance, making shopping an impossibility, or a chore that requires major recuperation. Annie's Malibox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to annies-mailbox@comeast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate 5777 W. Centrury Blvd., Sulte 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045.

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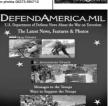
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30,180 6. (11) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 250, \$23,410. 7. (18) Greg Biffle, Ford, 250, \$16,410. 8. (8) David Green, Pontiac, 250, \$27,210. 9. (17) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 250, 1,585. 0. (21) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 250,

10. (21) CHIN ST., 22.210. \$22,210. 11. (25) Mike Wallace, Ford, 250, \$20,835. 12. (15) Hermie Sadler, Chevrolet, 249, (7) Ashton Lewis Jr., Chevrolet, 249.

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18, (40) Stanton Barrett, Pontiac, 248, 14,285.

\$14,285.
19. (24) Tim Sauter, Chevrolet, 248, \$14,160, 20. (19) Stacy Compton, Ford, 248, \$18,605, 21. (23) Todd Szegedy, Chevrolet, 25,515,910.
22. (30) Derrike Cope, Ford, 246, \$18,105, 23. (12) Mark Green, Ford, 246, \$15,940. 24. (26) Steve Grissom \$15,505.

25. (14) Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 246, \$17,480. \$17,480.
26. (27) Bobby Dotter, Chevrolet, 244, \$13,220.
27. (29) Jimmy Kitchens, Ford, 244, \$13,085.
28. (33) Gus Wasson, Chevrolet, 244, \$12,485.
29. (28) Jason White, Chevrolet, 243, \$14,812.
30. (34) Justin Ashburn, Chevrolet, 237, 314,812. 30. (34) Justin Ashi \$12,810.

\$12,810. 31. (2) Johnny Sauter, Chevrolet, 222, en-gine, \$13,335. 32. (3) Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 139, 32. (3) Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 139, 515,025.
33. (42) Eddle Beahr, Ford, 125, brakes, 512,365. (20) Tony Raines, Dodge, 88, electrical.

\$14.2 . (38) Bill Hoff, Chevrolet, 62, rear end, \$12,140. 36. (31) Brad Teague, Ford, 60, brakes, \$12,0 30. (43) Chad Beahr, Dodge, 46, too slow,

\$11,928. 38. (37) Mike Harmon, Chevrolet, 11, overeating, \$11,890. 39, (41) Butch Jarvis, Pontiac, 9, vibration. \$11,835. 40. (32) Josh Richeson, Ford, 8, brakes, \$11,790

U. (36) leff Fuller, Chevrolet, 4. hrakes. 17.255. 42. (35) Jason Schuler, Chevrolet, 1, overheating, \$11,720. 43. (39) Mike Potter, Chevrolet, 1, engine,

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At Richmond International Racew.
Richmond, Va.
Lap length: .75 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
(20) Dan Wheldon, Dallara-Honda nda. 250.

2. (8) Vitor Meira, Panoz G Force-Honda, 250, \$82,900. 250, \$82,900.
3. (1) Helio Castroneves, Dallara-Toyota, 250, \$79,700.
4. (7) Bryan Herta, Dallara-Honda, 250, \$56,400.

305,400. 5. (10) Tony Kanaan, Dallara-Honda, 250, \$51,600. 5. (2) Buddy Rice, Panoz G Force-Honda, 250, \$45,700. 250, \$45,700.
7. (16) Adrian Fernandez, Panoz G Force-Honda, 250, \$44,400.
8. (6) Scott Dixon, Panoz G Force-Toyota, 250, \$43,200.

\$43,200. (17) Scott Sharp, Dallara-Toyota, 248. \$45,200. 10. (18) Felipe Giaffone, Dallara-Chevrolet,

11. (21) A.J. Foyt IV, Dallara-Toyota, 248, \$40,700. \$40,700.

12. (12) Darlo Franchittl, Dallara-Honda,
13. (4) Sam Hornish Ir., Dallara-Toyota,
14. (13) Kosuke Matsuura, Panoz G
Force-Honda, 246, \$37,100.
15. (19) Greg Ray, Panoz G Force-Honda,
245, \$36,000.
16. (14) Ed Carpenter, Dallara-Chevrolet,
16. (14) Ed Carpenter, Dallara-Chevrolet,

344, \$34,800.
 (5) Tomas Scheckter, Dallara-Chevrolet, 222, \$33,600.
 (3) Mark Taylor, Dallara-Chevrolet, 217,

18. (3) Mark Taylor, Dallara-Chevrolet, 217, 533,600. Tora Takagl, Dallara-Toyota, 157, handling, 532,400. Hongrid, 532,400. Hongrid, Panoz G Force-Toyota, 132, accident, 531,200. 21, (22) All Unser Ir., Dallara-Chevrolet, 119, handling, 531,200.

22. (15) Alex Barron, Dallara-Chevrolet, 9, ccident, \$31,200.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Winner: 114,589 mph.

Time of Race: 1 hour, 38 minutes, 10,6077

econds.

Margin of Victory: Under caution.

Caution Flags: 7 for 77 laps,
Lead Changes: 3 among 3 drivers.
Lap Leaders: H.Castroneves 1-37, S.Horlish 38-113, D.Franchitti 114-192, D.Wheldon nish 38-113, D.Franchitti 114-192, D.Whel 193-250. Point standings: 1, T.Kanaan, 240 D.Wheldon 225: 3, H.Castroneves, 181 B.Rice, 172; 5, S.Dixon, 146; 6, D.Manning, 7, S.Hornish, 136; 8, B.Herta, 135; 9, A.Ban 129; 10, D.Franchitti, 129.

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Charles Howell III	61-69-72-202
Kevin Na	68-71-64-203
Rory Sabbatini	67-67-69-203
Rich Reem	64-67-72-203
Duffy Waldorf	67-71-66-204 74-63-67-204
Alex Ceika	74-63-67-204
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J.J. Henry	68-69-70-207
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Rochester LPGA

Saturday At Locust Hill Country Club Pittsford, N.Y. Purse: \$1.5 million Yardage: 6.204; Par 72 Third Round

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Bank of America Championship

At Nashawtuc Country Club Concord, Mass. Purse: \$1.550,000 Yardage: 6,729; Par 72 (36-36) Second Round

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Walter Hall	67-68-135	
Jerry Pate	68-68-136	
Tom Kite	67-69-136	
John Harris	66-70-136	
Doug Tewell	69-68-137	
Jay Sigel	68-69-137	
Craig Stadler	68-69-137	-
Allen Dovle	71-67-138	
Graham Marsh	69-69-138	
Dana Ouigley	68-70-138	
Mike McCullough	67-71-138	-
Isao Aoki	72-67-139	
Ed Fiori	70-69-139	
Tom Jenkins	70-69-139	
Des Smyth	70-69-139	
John Bland	69-70-139	
Sammy Rachels	69-70-139	
Eamonn Darcy	68-71-139	
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D.A. Weibring	70-70-140	
Gary McCord	69-71-140	
Sam Torrance	73-67-140	
Lanny Wadkins	68-72-140	
Jim Thorpe	70-71-141	
Bob Charles	76-66-142	
Ben Crenshaw	72-71-143	

French Open

Sunday At Le Golf National, Albatross Course Versailles, France Purse: \$3.64 million Yardage: 7,202; Par: 71 Final round

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College baseball

College World Series At Rosenblatt Stadium Omaha, Neb. Championship Series (Best-of-three) Saturday, June 26 Cal State Fullerton 6, Texas 4, Fullerton ads series, 1-0

Texas (58-14) vs. Cal State Fullerton

Monday, June 28
Texas vs. Cal State Fullerton, if necessary

Pro hockey

NHL Draft

Saturday, June 26
At RBC Center, Raleigh, N.C.
Second Round
31. Pittsburgh, Johannes Salmonsson, w,
Djurgarden (Sweden).
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32. Chicago, Dave Butteria. Chil. (OHL).
33. Washington, Christopher Bourque c, Cushing Academy, Mass.
34. Dallas (from Columbus), Johan Fransson, d, Luiea (Sweden).
35. Phoenix, Logan Stephenson, d, Tri-City

w York Rangers, Darin Olver, c, North ern Michigan. 37. Florida (from N.Y. Rangers), David Shan-tz, g, Mississauga (OHL). 38. Carolina, Justin Peters, g, Toronto-St. Michael's (OHL). 39. Anahelm, Jordan Smith, d, Sault Ste.

rie (OHL). 3. Atlanta, Grant Lewis, d, Dartmouth 40. Atlanta, Grant Lewis, u, Gostolic (ECAC).
41. Chicago, (from Los Angeles), Bryan Bickell, Iw, Ottawa (OHL).
42. Minnesota, Roman Voloshenko, Iw, Krylja (Russia).
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sia).
59. Columbus (from Toronto), Kyle Whar-ton, d, Ottawa (OHL).
60. New York Rangers (from Philadelphia), Brandon Dubinsky, c, Portland (WHL).

61. Pittsburgh (from Vancouver), Alex Goli-goski, d, Sloux Falls (USHL). 62. Washington (from Boston), Michail Yunkov, e-w, Krylja (Russia). Vankov, e-w, Krylja (Russia). David Krejci, c, Kladno & (Czech Republic). 64. Boston (from Detroit), Martins Kar-sums, r.w, Moncton (QMIHL). 65. Tampa Bay, Mark Tobin, kw, Rimouski QMJHL). Third Round QMJHL).

Third Round

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(Finland). 67. Pittsburgh, Nick Johnson, rw, St. Albert (AJHL). 68. Chicago, Adam Berti, lw, Oshawa 68. Cricago, Abarri Lean, College (OHL).
69. Carolina (from Washington), Casey Borer, d. St. Cloud State (WCHA).
Prust. C-lw, London (OHL).
71. Buffalo (from Phoenix), Andrej Sekera, d. Trencin Jr.
(Slovakla).

d, Irench Jr. (Slovakia). 72. Colorado (from New York Rangers), Denis Parshin, Iw, CSKA (Russia). 73. New York Rangers (from Florida), Zdenek Bahensky, rw, Litvinov (Czech Re-public).

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74. Anaheim (from Carolina), Kyle Kluber-tanz, d, Green Bay (USHL).
75. Anaheim, Tim Brent, c, Toronto-St. Michael's (OHL).
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78. Minnesota, Peter Olvecky, w, Frencisi Jr. (Slovakia), 79. Minnesota (from Buffalo), Clayton Ston-er, d. Tri-City (WHL). 80. New York Rangers (from Edmonton), Billy Ryan, c, Cushing Academy, Mas. 81, Nashville, Vaclav Meidi, c, Plymouth 81. Nashville, Vaciav Mero, (OHL), 82. New York Islanders, Sergel Ogordnik-ov, C, Tver (Russia), 100 Victor Alexandrov, rw, No-

ov, c, Iver (Russia). 83. St. Louis, Victor Alexandrov, rw, No-vokuznetsk (Russia). 84. Montreal, Alexei Yemelin, d, Samara (Russia). Russia). 85. Pittsburgh (from Calgary), Brian Gif-ord, c, Moorhead HS, Minn. 86. Dallas, John Lammers, Iw, Lethbridge

WHL). 87. Ottawa (from Colorado) Peter Regin,

87. Ottawa (from Colorado) Peter Regin, c-w, Herning Jr. (Denmark). 88. Washington (from New Jersey), Clay-ton Barthel, d., Seattle (WHL); 89. Ottawa, Jeff Glass, g., Kootenay (WHL). 90. Tromto, Justin Pogge, g, Prince George 90. Toronto, Justin Pogge, g, Prince Scorge WHL). 91. Vancouver (from San Jose), Alexander Edler, d, Jamtland (Sweden). 92. Philadephia, Rob Bellamy, rw, New En-gland (EJHL). 93. Columbua (from Vancouver), Daniel La-

93. Columbua (from Vancouver), Daniel La-osta, g, Owen Sound (OHL). 94. San Jose (from Boston), Thomas Gre-is, g, Koln (Germany). ss, g. Koh (Germany).

95. Los Angeles (from San Jose), Paul Baier, d, Deerfield Academy, Mass.

96. Columbus, Andrel Plehanov, d, Nizhnekampsk (Russia).

97. Detroit, Johan Franzen, c, Linkoping

(Sweden), 98. Calgary (from Tampa Bay), Dustin Boyd, C, Moose Jaw (WHL). Pro basketball

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Phoenix at Sacramento
Monday's games
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Tuesday's games

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Pro soccer



or tie. Saturday's games
D.C. United I, Dallas I, tie
Colorado 2, Columbus I
New England 2, MetroStars 1
Kansas City I, San Jose I, tie
Sunday's game Sunday's game
Los Angeles at Chicago
Wednesday's game
Colorado at MetroStars



Vincenza wins with goal in OT

BY RON JENSEN

RAF ALCONBURY, England
— In America, the game is called soccer. Europeans call it football.

But the name of the game Sunday afternoon at RAF Alconbury was "defense."

After a scoreless 90 minutes of regulation and around 20 minutes of overtime, player/coach Lauro Obeada scored to give Vicenza a 1-0 victory over Heidelberg, giving the team from Italy the U.S. Forces soccer championship.

"They left me open, and they paid a price," said Obeada, who scored halfway through the second 15-minute overtime period. His goal ended play.

The earlier game for third place was equally defensive. Ramstein topped Spangdahlem on penalty kicks, 5-3, after the two teams from Germany ended regulation with nothing but zeros in the scorebook. No overtime periods were played in that game.

The title game between Vicenza, which plays as the Southern European Task Force Lions, and Heidelberg, the defending champs, was a tough affair with few shots on goal. Players



ON JENSEN/Stars and Stripes

Marco Hakama of Vicenza lifts the ball over a defender during a tight defensive battle in the U.S. Forces soccer championship on Sunday.

bounced into one another going after loose balls, and headers flew fast and furious across the center

line.

But neither team mounted a sustained attack, which did not

surprise the man who scored the winning goal. "Two teams evenly matched,"

Oheada said

For Vicenza, the victory was a measure of payback. The two teams tied earlier in the year, and Heidelberg beat Vicenza with a late goal to win the Army's European championship 2-1. "Now we finally got them." Vi-

cenza captain Marco Hakama said. Vicenza won this event two years ago, but most of the team was deployed to Iraq last year, so it was unable to make a success-

ful defense of its title.

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McGahee anxious for first real action

BY JOHN WAWRON

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Ever since he was hurt, hardly a day has gone by without someone asking Willis McGahee about his left knee.

The questions have kept coming no matter how many times McGahee has said he'll be fine and playing better than before.

"How many times? I don't even keep track of that, anymore," the Buffalo Bills' running back said. "It's nothing new to me."

Soon, McGahee hopes to put all the questions to rest by showing what he can do on the field. His long wait is nearly over, some 18 months after his college career at Miami ended abruptly when he blew out his knee in the Fiesta

Bowl.

He's passed the physicals, done every drill and made it through a month of minicamp practices this

month of minicamp practices this spring without a hitch. "I'm anxious for the first game," McGahee said. "I've got the jitters. I want to play."

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All that's left is for him to brace
for that first hit, the one that only
comes in competition against a

fully-padded opponent.
It's the kind of jolt that will test his knee's strength — as much as it will his mind's resolve — to determine whether he's ready to play football again.

The Bills are off until they report for training camp in suburban Rochester on July 31; their preseason opener is Aug. 15 against Denver.

As a sophomore in 2002, he was the nation's best running back and considered a top-three pick in the 2003 draft after he set Miami records by scoring 28 touchdowns and rushing for 1,753 vards.

The national championship game, in which Miami lost to Ohio State, was supposed to be McGahee's send-off. It instead turned out to become

his biggest test. In the second half, and with Miami beginning to rally, McGahee went down following a crushing hit.

Two days later, he had surgery to repair three ligaments, including one that required major reconstruction. A day after that, his rehabilitation began with a few excruciating leg lifts that made him cry out in ain.

By March, McGahee was jogging and in April, the Bills drafted him 23rd overall.

He was the first running back selected, but it didn't matter to him whether he was taken in the first or seventh round. All McGahee wanted was a chance. Now he's got a five-year deal that could potentially be worth \$15.53 million if he meets all the incen-

"I'm better than I was last year, no complaints," McGahee said. "No lagging or nothing, full go."

The Bills and rookie coach Mike Mularkey are hoping he can give them a one-two rushing punch with returning starter

Travis Henry.

It's an opportunity to revive



AP

Bills running back Willis McGahee is ready to let his play answer questions about his knee.

what was an underused running attack last year, and take pressure off quarterback Drew Bledsoe, who struggled in a predictable passing game.

Mularkey made his intentions evident on the first snap of his first minicamp practice in March when he lined up Henry and Mc-Gahee in the same backfield.

"You get two quality backs like that, you've got to get them in the game somehow," Mularkey said.

And the coach doesn't appear worried about McGahee's knee, saying, "I purposely don't ask him how he's feeling." Nor is Mularkey concerned about whether he might create a running back controversy.

Henry, coming off consecutive 1,000-yard seasons, initially called it a slap in the face when the Bills drafted McGahee but has since reversed field, saying the two can get along. McGahee said he and Henry

McGanee said ne and Henry are comfortable with each other. "It wasn't his fault they drafted me," McGahee said. "Who knows? I'll probably make him

better."

Bills President Tom Donahoe
has no second thoughts about
drafting McGahee, saying he was
too good to pass up. Like McGahee and the rest of the team,
Donahoe's itching to see how he

responds to full contact.
"He's running around like he's not concerned about the knee, but you still have to get knocked around," Donahoe said. "And until that happens, that's probably the last hurdle that he has to get over."

McGahee said he's got nothing to prove to anybody but himself. He's the one who made the decision to turn pro. He's the one who pushed himself to extremes to get to this point.

And yet, McGahee acknowledges he's not certain what to expect.
So he's established modest

goals to begin with.
"I will accomplish a lot by getting one touchdown. That's good

"I Will accomplish a for by secting one touchdown. That's good enough for me," he said. "Then I'll know what to expect."

It's been a long time since he's

It's been a long time since he reached the end zone.

"Yeah," McGahee said. "I've got to get back home."

Cartwright spins another victory

BY RUSTY BRYAN Stars and Stripes

HOHENFELS, Germany — Jack Cartwright of Würzburg won for the fifth time in six races on Saturday to clinch at least a tie for the 2004 U.S. Forces Europe Mountain Bike Series season title.

Saturday's victory would have clinched the title outright had he not encountered bad luck in Stage 5 of the 11-race series — the one race he lost.

race he lost.
"I had a flat tire last time at
Kitzingen," said Cartwright, a
former college road racer, "and
ended up second."

Cartwright, who was the runner-up in this series last year despite competing in just four races before being deployed to Iraq, didn't have any tire trouble Saturday.

Turns out, he didn't have much competition, either. He completed four laps around

a demanding 5-kilometer course, which circled a rocky hilltop at the Hohenfels Combat Maneuver Training Center, in 74 minutes, 12.96 seconds to win the active-duty open crown.

Runner-up Kelly Lauderbaugh of Aviano was well back at 85:01.26, and that was fine with Cartwright.

"It's easier when you've got someone to chase," Cartwright said, "but I was hoping that I wouldn't have any competition today. I've got a road race [of 140 kilometers] tomorrow, and I wanted to be able to save my energy."

Although his victory was easy,
Although his victory was easy,
Cartwright said the rocky course,
which begins with a steep
30-meter-plus climb, wasn't.

"This and Aviano are the toughest courses," he said. "I rode up [the steep ascent] on the second and third laps, but there's a big rock near the top and you have to get off. The other two times I got off and ran un."

Cartwright, who began mountain bike racing when he arrived in Germany four years ago, can clinch the season title at the next stop in the series, July 10 at Ram-

After that, the series travels to Giessen on Aug. 7, Ansbach on Aug. 14, Dexheim on Aug. 21 and the finale in September at

Garmisch.

By then, active-duty women's leader Katherine Freasier of Darmstadt will probably have joined Cartwright as a series champ. Freasier won the 15-kilometer women's event in 84:02.40 for her third victory of the season. She beat last year's series champion, Caroline Kim of Hohenfels,

by almost 23 minutes on Saturday, despite the challenging course.
"This course is way harder than the others," said Freasier. "I

got off and ran on the steep hills."
In the active-duty seniors category for riders 30-39 years old, the Aviano duo of Jason Patton and Leslie Handy outraced defending series champion Dave Gallagher of Rheim-Main. Patton Clocked 82:33.30 to beat Handy by 59.54 seconds and Gallagher by 1.42.

The masters title for military riders ages 40-49 went to Kevin Hawkins of Stuttgart in 88:33.24.

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U.S. Forces Europe mountain bike championships

mountain bike championships
HOHENFELS, Germany - Top finishers Saturday in the sixth leg of the 11-race U.S. Forces
Europe Mountain Bike Race Series, run over
a 5-kilometer course here. Series began in
April and ends Labor Day weekend in
Garmischy

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(Hohenfels) 108:50.64.

Active duty masters (40-49 years, laps)-1, Kevin Hawkins (Stuttgart) 88 minutes, 33.24 seconds; 2, Mark Dinardo (Aviano) 121:40.44; 3, Bryan Schulte (Oberammer

furt) 115:31.08.
Civilian open (4 Iaps)-1, Brian Mayers (Spangdahlem) 84 minutes, 09.06 seconds; 2, Zednary Hohe (Hohenfels) 122:34.62.
Civilian seniors (30-39 years, 4 Iaps)-1, Thomas Hellmith (Unavallable) 80 minutes, 18.60 seconds; 2, Lewis Plotts (Vilseck) 99:50.34; 3, Dennis Freasier (Darmstadt) 102:36.66; 4, Todd Somer (Stuttgart) 116:53.28.

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Danna (Hohenfels) 81 minutes, 43.56 seconds; 2, Daniel Hoeh (Hohenfels) 121:40.48;
3, Dennis Ladourelle (Darmistadt) 148:7.50.
Civilian golden masters (50 and older)-1,
43y Schultz (Heidelberg) 101 minutes, 29.10

seconds. Women
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Active duty (3 laps)-1, Katherine Freasier
Clermstatd) 84 minutes, 240 seconds; 2, Caroline Kim (Hohenfels) 106:40.55.
Civilian senior (33-42 years, 3 laps)-1.
Civilian senior (33-42 years, 3 laps)-1.
Civilian masters (43 years and older, 3 laps)-1.
Julia Kim-Stretchio (Worzburg) 110
minutes, 8:10 seconds.

Isinbayeva breaks own women's vault record

The Associated Press

GATESHEAD, England - Russian Yelena Isinbayeva broke her own world record in the pole vault Sunday, clearing 15 feet, 11¾ inches at the IAAF Norwich Union Grand Prix meet.

Isinbayeva got the mark on her third try. The bar shuddered slightly but held firm, and Isinbayeva did a back-flip after land-

She had set the previous record of 15-111/4 at the world indoor championships in March in Budapest, Hungary.

For setting the world record she was given \$50,000 by the Norwich Union meet organizers

"I'm verv. verv happy, but I want to say my personal best is 5 meters," said Isinbayeva, refer-ring to a practice jump that went

Sabathia to see specialist

CLEVELAND - C.C. Sabathia will be examined by two more doctors after making only eight nitches for the Cleveland Indians on Saturday night because of a sore left shoulder.

Indians trainer Lonnie Soloff said the left-hander will see team physician Dr. Mark Schickendantz on Sunday afternoon and go to Birmingham, Ala., on Monday for an examination by noted sports orthopedic doctor James Andrews

"C.C. feels a lot better today, but we want to make sure our course of action is correct in this." Soloff said before Sunday's game against the Colorado Rock-

Four gymnasts make Olympics and wait for company

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Paul Hamm and Brett McClure earned automatic spots onto the men's Olympic gymnastics team Saturday, and Jason Gatson and Hamm's brother, Morgan, were added on by the selection commit-

Another seven gymnasts, including five-time national champi-

son, closed out Olympic trials by being chosen to a training squad. They'll

have to fight it out for the final two spots at a camp next month. Hamm and McClure finished trials the way they came in after national championships: ranked first and second in the overall scoring from the four meets two at nationals, two at trials that are used to pick the six-man

The top-two finishes earned them automatic spots.

Kings acquire Quintal

RALEIGH, N.C. - The Los Angeles Kings acquired defenseman Stenhane Quintal on Sunday from the Montreal Canadiens in exchange for future considerations.

Ouintal, 33, who becomes an unrestricted free agent July 1 had three goals and five assists in 73 games last season for the Canadiens. He was injured in Game 3 of the first-round playoff series against Boston and ultimately appeared in only four playoff games before the Canadiens were eliminated in the second round by Tampa Bay.

Quintal played with Boston, St. Louis, Winnipeg, Montreal, the New York Rangers and Chicago before rejoining the Canadiens for the 2001-02 season.

The Canadiens swung three-team trade Saturday to acquire Ottawa Senators forward Radek Bonk and Los Angeles Kings goaltender Cristobal Huet The Senators initially traded Bonk to the Kings for a

third-round pick, but Los Angeles quickly dealt him and Huet to Montreal for goalie Mathieu Garon and the Canadiens' third-round choice, No. 95 in Saturday's draft.

Bonk, chosen by Ottawa with the third overall nick in 1997 had 12 goals and 32 assists in 66 games with the Senators last sea-

Kreis nets milestone goal as Dallas ties D.C. United

DALLAS - Jason Kreis became the career goals leader in MLS history, scoring in the 37th minute in the Dallas Burn's 1-1 draw with D.C. United on Satur-

Alecko Eskandarian had a goal in the 58th minute to help United salvage the draw on a soggy Cotton Bowl field

Kreis' 89th career goal broke the record held by Roy Lassiter. Kreis took a pass from Oscar Pareia and placed a left-footed shot into the left corner of the net. Eskandarian tied the score with his fourth goal of the season.

Revolution 2, MetroStars 1: Felix Brillant and Clint Dempsey scored early in the second half for

New England. MLS The Revoluroundup tion

(3-7-3)snapped three match two-game winning streak for the MetroStars (5-4-4).

Rapids 2, Crew 1: An own goal by host Columbus and a score by Colorado forward Jean Philippe Peguero gave the Rapids the victory. The Rapids are unbeaten in their past three games.

Wizards 1, Earthquakes 1: In San Jose, Calif., Richard Mulrooney scored his first goal of the season in the 79th minute to give San Jose (4-3-5) a tie with Kansas City (6.4.4)

Tennis scoreboard

Wimbledon

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At The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet

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. oachim Johansson, Sweden, def. Jonas rkman (17), Sweden, 6-7 (5), 7-6(5), 7-6(6). 6-3. Ivo Karlovic, Croatia, def. Feliciano Lopez (18), Spain, 7-6 (12), 7-6 (3), 6-7 (2), 7-5. Tim Henman (5), Britain, def. Hicham Arazi (32), Morocco, 7-6 (6), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2. Mark Philippoussis (11), Australia, def. Fernando Gonzalez (24), Chile, 6-4, 6-1, 6-7

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Astalla Devel; Cyp. France, 7-6, 7-6, 7-6 (
Magdielen Malleya (21), Bulgaria, det.
Magdielen Mal

(2). Rita Grande, Italy, def. Virginie Razzano, France. 6-4. 4-6, 6-3. France, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

Amelie Mauresmo (4), France, def. Ludmia Cervanova, Siovakia, 6-1, 6-4.

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Magui Serna, Spain, 6-4, 6-0.

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nyi (3), Belarus, def. Raemon Sluiter, and Martin Verkerk, Netherlands, 7-5, 6-3. Wayne Arthurs and Paul Hanley (7), Australia, def. Feliciano Lopez and Fernando Ver-dasco, Spain, 7-6 (2), 6-4. Xavier Malisse and Olivier Rochus (14). n, lead Rick Leach and Brian MacPhie ed States, 7-6 (3), 5-7, 5-4, 15-40, susp

nas Bjorkman, Sweden, and Todd Wood-je (1), Australia, lead Lucas Arnold and in Garcia, Argentina, 6-3, 5-2, 30-0, u, rain.

Jennifer Russell, United States, and Mara Santangelo, Italy, def. Eleni Danilidou, Greece, and Katarina Srebotnik, Slovenia, 6-2, 5-7, 6-4. Nathalie Dechy, France, and Daniela Hantu-chova, Slovakia, lead Sarah Borwell and Emily Webley-Smith, Britain, 6-4, susp., rain.

Liezel Huber, South Africa, and Al Sugiya-ma (5), Japan, def. Jessica Lehnhoff and Be-lenifer Russell, United States, and Mara-Jennifer Russell, United States, and Mara-santangelo, Italy, def. Anastasia Myskinia and Vera Zvonareva (13), Russila, walikover, def. Switzerland, def. Eve bomilinkovic, Aus-tralia, and Anastassia Rodionova, Russia, 6-1,6-4.

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Sunday: Henman reaches fourth round for ninth straight year

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Dent took a 6-3 lead in the second set tiebreaker when Roddick hit a forehand return wide. Roddick then angrily slammed his racket to the grass, and the outburst apparently helped. He won the next five points and closed out the set with a backhand winner.

In the final tiebreaker, Dent missed four volleys and fell behind 6-0. Roddick closed out with a service winner, then raised his arms to cheers on Court 1 which was half empty even at the end of the match. "The people that were there re-

ally wanted to be there. It was loud," Roddick said, "The whole week's been wacky so why not today, too?

Henman saved three break points serving at 0-2 in the fourth set before holding and winning the next five games to overcome Arazi

Britain's biggest hope for a first men's singles title here since 1936, Henman was obviously lift ed by the crowd, which clapped loudly, whistled and chanted his name after big points.

"The quality was not always great ... I need to play better but I still fancy my chances," he said "It was a phenomenal atmosphere - I've been so lucky to have had the opportunity to play the middle Sunday twice."

In 1997, Henman beat Paul Haarhuis 14-12 in the fifth set to win on People's Sunday.

He's into the fourth round here for the ninth consecutive year and next faces 2003 finalist Mark Philippoussis, who beat Fernando Gonzalez 6-4, 6-1, 6-7 (4), 7-5,

When heavy rain stopped play in the late afternoon, the last two matches in the third round were each into a third set.

Tatiana Golovin and Emmanuelle Gagliardi were 3-3 in the third, playing for a spot against Williams in the fourth round, while Virginia Ruano Pascual and 14th-seeded Silvia Farina Elia were one set apiece.

All other third-round men's and women's singles matches were completed.

In an early upset, 30th-seeded Vincent Spadea of the United States knocked off No. 8 Rainer Schuettler 6-4, 6-2, 6-3. He next plays 12th-seeded Sieng Schalken, who beat Thomas Enqvist in five sets.

With tickets on sale on a first-come, first-serve basis, thousands of people who'd camped on the sidewalk overnight and arrived at dawn started filling Centre Court for the first match.

Normally, most of the tickets for that court are sold as part of expensive packages, through a pre-tournament lottery, or to the first 500 people in line each day.

Extra security, including bag searches, meant staff could only let 5.000 people through the gates per hour. The gates opened about 9 a.m., two hours before play

Federer was first on court. He broke Johansson once in each set returning in top form after Saturday's wash out.

"I think the people were just really happy to see some tennis. It was a great crowd out there," Federer said. "I'm feeling very good, definite-

ly better than last year because I know I already won this tournament so I know I can do it again. Federer next plays Ivo Karlov-

ic, who hit 39 aces to beat No. 18 Feliciano Lopez.

Court 1 was less than half full when seventh-seeded Jennifer Capriati beat Nathalie Dechy 7-5. 6-1 in the first singles match completed in more than 40 hours at Wimbledon.

Also, fourth-seeded Amelie Mauresmo advanced and Karolina Sprem - who eliminated Venus Williams — defeated No. 32 Meghann Shaughnessy 7-6 (5),

On Court 7, Wayne Ferreira's record 55th consecutive Grand Slam event ended in a 4-6 6-4 6-1, 6-4 loss to Florian Mayer, who upset Guillermo Coria in the second round.



AP

Dan Wheldon does a burnout after winning the SunTrust Indy Challenge on Saturday night in Richmond, Va.

Wheldon wins wild finish in IRL

The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — After 249 laps of bumping and jockeying Saturday night, it was a one-lap sprint to the finish.

Dan Wheldon was the unlikely winner of the SunTrust Indy Challenge, coming back from the 20th starting position to outsprint pole-winner Helio Castroneves in the final turn on the three-quarter-mile Richmond International Raceway.

"I don't think I had the quickest car today, but what helped me was I could run a lot of laps on the Firestones and my car just kept getting better and better," Wheldon said.

Coming out of a caution period with a lap remaining, Castroneves blew by Vitor Meira on the inside of the first turn, then made a run at Wheldon, falling short by 0.2038 seconds.

IRL officials later disallowed Castroneves' pass of Meira be-

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cause the track lights didn't change from yellow to green in the final lap. Meira finished second in the official results, and Castroneves was third.

Wheldon, who won earlier this year in Japan, moved into second place in the season standings, 17 points behind Tony Kanaan. The race turned on a crash in-

The race turned on a crash involving Sam Hornish Jr. and Tomas Scheckter in lap 188. Hornish tried to pass Scheckter on the outside of the second turn and clipped the South African's front wheel, sending himself into a slow 360.

Hornish, who led for 76 laps at the start of the race, was able to continue but dropped to 16th. He finished in 13th place, while Scheckter failed to finish.

"That's what can happen when we're that close," Hornish said.

Atlanta, Georgia

Castroneves pitted during the caution at lap 192, while Wheldon and Meira stayed on the track. Wheldon drove the final 121 laps without refueling, while Meira went without a pit stop for 115 laps.

"It was all strategy," Meira said. "If it was green all the way, we would have struggled a lot."

Fortunately for Wheldon and Meira, there were 74 caution laps during the race, including 20 in the first half when a light drizzle started to fall on the track.

Castroneves and Hornish, Team Penske teammates, led for much of the first half of the race, pulling ahead after every caution period and opening leads of as many as six seconds.

"It was really not the fastest car that won," Castroneves said.

Hornaday wins Busch race WEST ALLIS, Wis. — Ron Hor-

naday Jr. won the Alan Kulwicki 250 Saturday night at the Milwaukee Mile, taking the lead with seven laps to go after rallying from a lap down.

Hornaday passed Shane Hmiel on the inside, ending Hmiel's chance for his first Busch Series victory. Hornaday started in the 10th

position, and dropped a lap behind when the first caution flag came out while he was in the pits. The two-time Craftsman Truck

The two-time Cratisman Frick Series champion worked his way through the field and managed to steal the race from Hmiel and David Stremme, who exchanged the lead several times. They led a total of 170 laps before fading at the end.

In all, eight racers led the 250-lap event — run under the lights for the first time — on the 1032-mile track

It was Hornaday's fourth career Busch Series victory and first this season.

lowed by Jason Keller and Hmiel.
Stremme was leading with 30 laps to go when he bobbled and slowed allowing Hmiel to pass.

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Scott ties record, leads Booz Allen

The Associated Pre

POTOMAC, Md. — The stiff breezes returned Saturday to the TPC at Avenel, slowing Adam Scott's record pace. Still, Scott gutted out a 67 to take a six-shot lead into the final round of the Booz Allen Classic.

Playing more than his share of

holes from sand, fringe, rough or first cut, Scott mixed seven birdies with three bogeys. His total of 18-under 195 tied the 54-hole course record

Golf roundup set by Hal Sutton in 1991. Scott also tied the lowest 54-hole total on the PGA

Tour this year. Phil Mickelson carded 195 through three rounds at the Bob Hope Classic, and David Toms did the same at the St. Jude Classic.

Scott missed only two greens in regulation in setting the course's 36-hole record in perfect weather Thursday and Friday. But he missed three greens in his first nine holes Saturday as he battled swirling winds that had flags flapping. His bogey at No. 9 allowed Rich Beem to move into a tie for the lead, then Scott moved back had for the rest of the day with

a 12-foot birdie putt at No. 10.

He then birdied the 13th and 14th, the two easiest holes on the course, before he found the rough again with his tee shot at the 15th and made bogey.

Scott then threatened to turn the tournament into a rout with a birdie at No. 18 as the rest of the field struggled with the winds and bumpier greens.

Olin Browne (71) bogeyed two of his last three holes, but was second with a 201. Charles Howell III (72) and Arron Oberholser (68) were seven shots back at 202.

Glen Day, who shot a 62 and threatened the 50s on Friday, threatened the 80s on Saturday with a 79.

Wie reaches Public Links final

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — Defending champion Michelle Wie won two matches Saturday to advance to the final of the U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links Championship.

The 14-year-old sensation, who became the youngest Publinx winner a year ago, beat Jenna Pearson 5 and 4 in the quarterfinals and outlasted Angela Park 2 and 1 in the semifinals.

Wie will play Ya-Ni Tseng of Taiwan, who beat In-Bee Park of Eustis, Fla., 1-up in the other semifinal.

Earlier, the 15-year-old Tseng beat Ashley Grier of Hagerstown, Md., in the completion of a 22-hole third-round match, then ousted Hannah Jun of San Diego 7 and 5 in the quarterfinals.

Saiki moves close to first LPGA victory

PITTSFORD, N.Y. — Kim Saiki remained on course for her first victory in 13 years on the LPGA Tour, shooting a 4-under



Michelle Wie beat Angela Park in the semifinals of the U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links Championship to move on to Sunday's final against Ya-Ni Tseng.

68 to take a one-stroke lead over Rosie Jones in the Rochester

LPGA. Saiki, a 38-year-old Californian who has four career runner-up finishes. had a 13-under 203 total.

Saiki got going on the back nine with three straight birdies. Her wedge shot on No. 11 kicked back to within inches of

the hole.

She followed that by sinking a 10-foot putt on 12, then chipped in after landing in thick rough be-

hind the 13th green.

Another chip from the rough to within 8 feet at No. 17 gave her a fourth birdie.

Saiki has bogeyed just once in the tournament — a three-putt Friday after a wayward drive on No. 16

No. 16.

Jones, looking for her third victory in seven years on the Locust Hill course, shot a 67.

Candie Kung (73) was five strokes back at 8 under, and Annika Sorenstam (71) topped a

strokes back at 8 under, and Annika Sorenstam (71) topped a four-player group at 7 under.

Purtzer extends lead in Champions' Bank of America

CONCORD, Mass. — Tom Purtzer shot a 5-under 68 to take a two-stroke lead over Walter Hall and John Jacobs into the final round of the Bank of America Championship.

Purtzer had an 11-under 133 total on the Nashawtuc Country Club course. Jacobs shot a 67, and Walter Hall had a 68. Tom Kite (69), Jerry Pate (68) and John Harris (70) were three back at 8 under.

Frenchman Remesy wins French Open

VERSAILLES, France — Jean-Francois Remesy won the \$3.6 million French Open on Sunday, snapping a 35-year series of fruitless attempts at victory by French golfers.

The 40-year-old from Nimes shrugged of a double-bogey at the first hole to shoot a par-round 71 and defeat Australians Richard Green and Nick O'Hern by five shots.

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Cardinals' 45th matches Yanks

KANSAS CITY - Edgar Renteria's RBI single drove in the tiebreaking run in the 10th inning as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Kansas City Royals 3-1 on Saturday night.

Rudy Seanez (0-1) walked Albert Pujols lead-Baseball roundup

ing off the 10th Pujols, who leads the NL with 65 runs, stole second and scored his second run of the night on Renteria's second run-scoring hit. Mike

Matheny made it 3-1 with an RBI his third hit of the night with two outs Julian Tavarez (2-0) threw one inning of shutout relief. Jason Is

ringhausen pitched the 10th for his 17th save in 21 chances The victory improved the Cardi-nals to an NL-best 45-29, matching the New York Yankees for

most in the majors Phillies 9, Red Sox 2: Jim Thome hit his major league-leading 26th home run and visiting Philadelphia took advantage of a season-high four Boston errors to

score five unearned runs. ome's homer was his 14th of the month, one shy of the fran-chise record set by Cy Williams in May, 1923.

fourth to break open the game — four unearned, thanks to errors by pitcher Bronson Arroyo and first baseman Kevin Millar

White Sox 6, Cubs 3: Paul Konerko and Joe Crede homered in a five-run third to back a solid six-inning effort from rookie right-hander Felix Diaz.

Jose Valentin added a solo homer in the seventh for the host White Sox, who lead the majors in scoring and tied the interleague

series between the teams at 1-1. Diaz (1-1) allowed three runs and six hits for his first big league

Angels 7, Dodgers 5: Garret Anderson's second two-run homer drove in the go-ahead runs in the eighth and Vladimir Guerrero added a two-run shot and scored three times to help the visiting Angels rally.

Anderson's sixth homer off Guillermo Mota (3-3) followed a leadoff single by Guerrero and snapped a 5-5 tie. The win was the Angels' sixth straight against Los Angeles dating to last season. The Dodgers have lost six straight overall.

Rangers 8, Astros 7: Hank Blalock matched a career high with four hits, including the go-ahead homer in the eighth inning, to lead the host Rangers to their



Texas' Michael Young throws too late to get the runner at first base after forcing Houston's Adam Everett.

eighth straight victory. Blalock went 4-for-5, and his 18th homer came with two outs off Dan Mice-

Mariners 7, Padres 3: Julio Mateo set a club record by winning his first five career decisions Jolbert Cabrera hit three-run homer off Ismael Val-dez (6-4) in the sixth inning to snap host Seattle's four-game losing streak.

Phil Nevin hit a two-run homer for San Diego.

Indians 4, Rockies 3 (12): Ben Broussard lined a game-winning double in the 12th to give the host Indians a victory.

The Indians lost ace C.C. Sa-

bathia, who left with a sore shoul-

der after retiring the side in the first on only eight pitches. He was taken for an MRI.

Tigers 7, Diamondbacks 6: Eric Munson homered leading off the ninth to provide the difference for the host Tigers. Carlos Guillen also homered and drove in four runs for Detroit

and Omar Infante added a solo shot as the Tigers handed Arizona its eighth straight loss. Brewers 7, Twins 2: Jeff Liefer homered for the first time in 11

months and tied a career high with four RBIs for visiting Milwankee

Liefer who entered the game hitless in his previous nine at-bats, went 2-for-3 for the

Twins, whose three-game winning streak ended.

Blue Jays 10, Expos 5: Miguel Batista pitched seven innings and Frank Menechino and Reed Johnson hit home runs to lead the host Blue Jays, who scored four unearned runs off three errors.

Braves 5, Orioles 0: Russ Ortiz pitched seven scoreless innings to earn his first victory in June. Ortiz (7-6) allowed seven hits, walked two and struck out four. He was 0-2 in four starts this month after going 4-1 in May.

Pirates 1. Reds 0: Randall Simonhit his first homer in the top of the ninth inning, and visiting Pittsburgh snapped Cincinnati's three-game winning streak



Tampa Bay's climb reaches high point

BY FRED GOODALL The Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG. Fla. Now that the Tampa Bay Devil

Rays have turned their season around, they refuse to place a ceiling on what they can accomplish. The perennial last-place team beat the Florida Marlins 6-4 on Saturday night to become the first club in major league history

to climb above .500 at any point in a season after being 18 games 'Why stop there?" Carl Crawford said after driving in three runs, including the go-ahead run with a double in the seventh to

pace the club's record-tying 13th consecutive interleague victory and 15th win in 16 games overall. "We're playing well," Crawford added. "Let's see what we can do.

Who knows what can happen? Tampa Bay was 10-28 after losing 19 of 22 from April 25-May 19. The turnaround, which included a club-record 12-game winning streak, has the Devils Rays

at 36-35 — the latest point in a season they've been above .500. Tampa Bay improved the maors' best interleague record to

13-1 by matching the 13-game run the New York Yankees began against NL opponents last year. The San Diego Padres snapped the Yankees' streak on June 11.

The 1899 Louisville Colonels are the only other team to get back to .500 after being 18 games below, but that team couldn't get over the break-even point and finished 75-77. Tampa Bay's success has carried it from last in the AL East to third, four games behind second-place Boston.

"That's a credit to the players," manager Lou Piniella said. "They're the ones who've got it done. They've played hard and very well. It's been impressive. It's good to do things nobody else has done.

Crawford had two hits for the eventh straight game and stole his AL-leading 33rd base. He had a two-run single in the second. and snapped a 4-4 tie by doubling off Matt Perisho in the seventh.

Joey Gathright scored the go-ahead run after drawing a walk from Josias Manzanillo (0-1) and stealing second.

Aubrey Huff added a solo homer off Ben Howard in the eighth to make it 6-4.

The Marlins have lost three straight and, at 39-35, fell one percentage point behind the Philadelnhia Phillies for first in the NI.

"We get the runs and no pitching. Then we get pitching and no runs," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said.

Mets clobber Yankees

By RONALD BLUM
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — With the bases loaded in the first inning, and the Yankee Stadium crowd already sensing another victory over its crosstown rival, Al Leit-

er quieted the fans and the Bronx Bombers' bats. After falling behind Jason Giambi 2-0 in the count, Leiter came back to throw a called third strike on a pitch the left-hander called a "backup cement miver."

Leiter (3-2) then retired Jorge Posada on a slow roller to get out of the inning, and the New York Mets went on to beat up rookie Brad Halsey in a six-run fourth that propelled them to a 9-3 victory over the New York Yankees on Saturday. "Keep not believing in us." said Cliff Flovd. who

"Keep not believing in us," said Cliff Floyd, who homered in the seventh for the Mets' final run.

Jason Phillips doubled past diving Alex Rodriguez at third for a 3-2 lead in the fourth inning, Jose Reyes followed with an RBI single and had a key stolen base. Then, in his first major league gangainst Hideki Matsui, the Mets' Kaz Matsui hit a two-run single that opened a 6-2 lead. Every Mets starter except Mike Cameron had a hit.

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"They beat us up," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "There's not much to talk about. We couldn't get them out."

Playing against a team Leiter called "the mighty Yankees," who have the best record in the majors at 45-26, the Mets finished with 12 hits and stopped a seven-game losing streak against their crosstown rival. pulling back to 500 this season at 36-36.

Alex Rodriguez, in his first game against the Mets since he was dealt to the Yankees last winter, came up with runners in scoring position in every at-bat and went 0-for-5. He stranded seven runners, including five on second or third, and is hitting .197 (13-for-66) with runners in scoring position, including, 086 (3-for-35) with two outs. "We were just a little flat." he said.

The Yankees were just 1-for-11 with runners in scoring position. The Mets got five straight hits with runners in scoring position in the fourth.

"It's a win. It doesn't count as two," Leiter said. "I wish it did."

Derek Jeter, celebrating his 30th birthday, was a quiet 2-for-4 for the Yankees, who are 24-13 against the Mets in the regular season since interleague play began in 1997.

Gary Sheffield, who missed three starts because of bursitis in his left shoulder, hit a two-run homer for the Yankees and Hideki Matsui had a solo shot.

In Japan, attention was focused on the game because of the Matsui vs. Matsui matchup. In his first at-bat, Hideki Matsui lined out to Kaz Matsui at shortstop in the second inning. In the sixth, Kaz flied out to Hideki in left. During batting practice, the pair talked about living in New York.

"The atmosphere, the energy, the voltage was high," Kaz Matsui said after playing his first game at Yankee Stadium. "There's probably nothing like it anywhere else."

"It's important to get that first one," Mets manager Art Howe said. "Last year, we didn't get any." Halsey (1-1), a left-hander who won at Los Angeles a week earlier in his major league debut, walked five, and three of those runners scored. He gave up seven runs — six earned — five hits and three stolen bases in 3'i) iminges.

"Obviously, I knew I didn't have command of my

fastball early in the game," he said.
After Phillips put the Mets shead and Reyes singled, Reyes was caught off first but wound up stealing second as Giambi decided not to throw Kaz Marsui fell behind 0-2 in the count, then slapped a two-run single to right over the drawn-in infield.
Mike Piazza and Richard Hidalgo followed with RBI singles off Tanyon Sturtze.



Cal State Fullerton's P.J. Pilittere (44) celebrates with Kurt Suzuki after both scored on a two-run hit by Felipe Garcia in the first inning against Texas in the first game of the College World Series best-of-three finals.

Fullerton hits Street, tops Texas in Game 1

BY ERIC OLSON The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — A Cal State Fullerton team that had a losing record at midseason now needs just one more victory to win the national championship.

Damy Dorn's two-run double gave Fullerton the lead in the seventh inning and three relievers shut down Texas the rest of the way, leading the Titans to a 6-4 victory in the first game of the College World Series finals Saturday night.

The Titans (46-22), seeking

their first national title since 1995 and their fourth overall, can wrap up the best-of-three series with a win over the Longhorns (58-14) on Sunday. "Texas is not going to go away,"

Fullerton coach George Horton said. "They're going to keep making runs at us." Fullerton has won 31 of its past

37 games after starting the season 15-16.
"We had our rock bottom part

of the season and then got the ball rolling," Dorn said. "We don't think so much about winning the national championship tomorrow as we do about going out and winning the first pitch and then the pitch after that."

Dorn stepped to the plate after star reliever Huston Street struck out Nos. 3 and 4 batters Kurt Suzu-

ki and P.J. Pilittere. Justin Turner and Clark Hardman had led off the seventh with singles against J. Brent Cox (6-2).

Dorn, who had just three hits in his first 17 CWS at-bats, lined Street's 2-2 pitch into the gap. The ball bounced off the heel of Texas left fielder Carson Kainer's glove for a two-run double.

"I felt like I had been struggling," Dorn said. "I was trying to pick up a teammate [Suzuki] who had picked me up all year. Luckily I got a pitch to hit and got the barrel on it."

Kainer said he should have made the catch.

"I got a decent jump," Kainer said. "It got up in the lights. I stayed with it. I saw it come out of the lights and I dove. It just hit off my glove. If I catch it. I'm a hero.

It's a tough play to make."

Felipe Garcia, who had four hits and three RBIs, drove in Dorn for a 6-4 advantage.

Doll to a 6-4 advantage. Sincky Romero (14-4) gave up all eight of Texas' hits in $6^2/3$ innings. He walked two and struck out eight.

Vinnie Pestano, Ryan Schreppel and Mike Martinez combined on 2¹/₃ innings of shutout relief. Martinez earned his second save.

Texas threatened in the bottom of the ninth after Pestano hit pinch hitter Hunter Harris with a pitch and Michael Hollimon reached on a fielder's choice when shortstop Neil Walton was charged with a throwing error on an attempted force play at sec-

But Drew Stubbs, facing Martinez, struck out for the fifth time in the game and Seth Johnston grounded out to end the game.

"We do have a bullpen," Horton said. "That's been the question of the week."

The Longhorns had taken a 4-3 lead with a three-run fifth inning against Romero.

Ryan Russ walked and Hollimon followed with a burn single. Johnston lined a single into right and Fullerton right fielder Bobby Andrews overthrew catcher Suzuki, with the ball bouncing off the top step of the Longhorns' dugout and into the stands. That allowed Hollimon to score the tying run

and put Johnston at third.

Johnston scored on Curtis Thigpen's sacrifice fly.

A's salvage bad day by ending S.F. streak

By Janie McCauley
The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Octavio Dotel stumbled in his Oakland debut, then pulled out a victory in what nearly became a most depressing day for the Athletics pitching staff.

Dotel blew a save, starter Rich Harden left early with a shoulder injury and Opening Day pitcher Tim Hudson was placed on the disabled list with a strained stomach muscle. Even reliever Justin Ducscherer took a tumble on the mound, numbing up his leg. Marco Scutaro allowed every-

one in the franchise to go home happy, singling in Bobby Kielty for the winning run in the 10th inning as the A's snapped San Francisco's seven-game winning streak with an 8-7 victory Saturday night.

Dotel (1-0) blew Oakland's 15th save this year, but lasted 2²/₃ innings for the win. "It's good that we won. That's

the whole key. I didn't save the game, but we won," said Dotel, who had to fly from Houston to the Bay Area Saturday morning just to make it to the stadium in time. But he refused to make any excuses.

"Tomorrow's another day."
Scutaro, who hit a tiebreaking double in the seventh, connected on a slider from Jim Brower (5-4) with two outs. Scutaro played against Dotel in Double-A and Triple-A, so he was happy to help him get his first Oakland win.

Dotel, acquired from Houston in a three-team trade Thursday, entered with one out in the eighth after Jim Mecir allowed two walks and a hit to load the bases. Dotel got Michael Tucker to pop out on the first pitch, then struck out Marquis Grissom.

Dotel walked Barry Bonds leading off the ninth and allowed a single to Pedro Feliz before A.J. Pierzynski followed with a three-run homer to pull the Giants within 7-6 — a shot Dotel considered a "welcome to Oakland." Tucker's sacrifice fly tied 'Tucker's sacrifice fly tied.

"He was throwing the ball pretty good in the eighth," Scutaro said. "I'm sure he's going to come back tomorrow and get the job done."

The game attracted a sellout crowd of 55,989, largest in the majjors this season and the biggest ever for a baseball game in the Coliseum, surpassing the 55,861 for the third game of the AL division series Oct. 13, 2001, against the New York Yankees.

Jermaine Dye hit a two-run homer and Scott Hatteberg had two singles, an RBI and scored a run for the A's, who had lost five of seven.

Scutaro hit a tiebreaking douhone out in the seventh off Giants starter Kirk Rueter, scoring pinch-runner Ramon Castro. Eric Karros doubled to lead off the inning. After Scutaro's hit, Oakland added runs on pinch-litter Mark



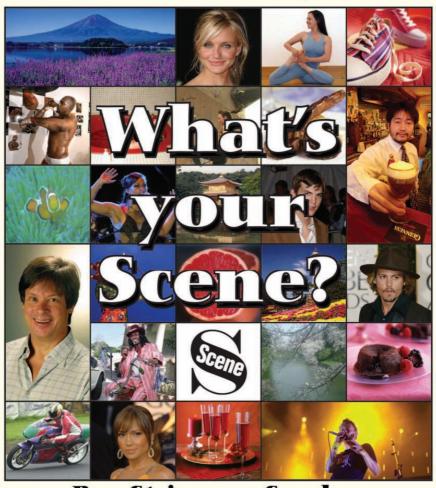
Oakland's Eric Byrnes leaps in vain for a drive by the Giants' Ray Durham that went for a double.

Kotsay's single and a double by Bobby Crosby.

Harden left in the third after partially dislocating his non-throwing shoulder when he stumbled over the bag trying to cover first base on Ray Durham's chopper.

Harden sustained the same injury during spring training from reaching for his alarm clock, he said — and missed more than a week. He was scheduled for an X-ray Sunday morning and it was unknown whether he would make his next start.

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No rest for the rainy

Wimbledon fans turn out in force to watch matches on middle Sunday for only third time

BY JOHN PYE
The Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Andy Roddick and Roger Federer reached the round of 16 at Wimbledon while thousands of fans lined up to be part of the third "People's Sunday" in 127

Wimbledon organizers were forced to schedule matches on the middle Sunday — usually a rest day — to clear a backlog after washouts Wednesday and Saturday.

Saturday.

The top-ranked Federer hit 44 winners and advanced with a 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 win over Thomas Johansson. There were about 8,000 people still in lines outside when Federer rifled a forehand return on match point after 1 hour, 37 minutes.

Centre Court was full by the time defending women's champion Serena Williams beat Spain's Magui Serna 6-4, 6-0 in 58 minutes.

The top-seeded Williams looked subdued with both her mother and father watching from the stands, but still had 11 aces and 29 winners with only one double-fault and 11 errors.

Williams got off court just before showers delayed play late in the afternoon.

She had followed Tim Henman onto Centre Court, and the crowd was worked up after the British favorite beat Morocco's Hicham

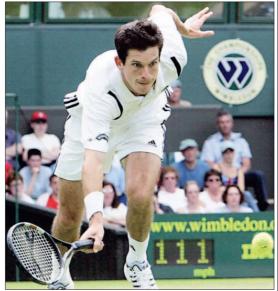
Arazi 7-6 (6), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2. Second-seeded Roddick beat fellow American Taylor Dent 6-3, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (1).

7-6 (6), 7-6 (1).
"I played well today, I lifted my game — I was forced to." Roddick

He'll meet 6-foot-7 Alexander Popp in the next round.

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said



Tim Henman, above, England's best hope for a British men's champion since 1936, defeated Morocco's Hicham Arazi 7-6 (6), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 at Wimbledon on Sunday. Because of rain delays, play was held on the traditional middle Sunday rest day for only the third time in the 127-year history of the tournament.



Thousands of fans were still in line to enter the grounds at Wimbledon when defending champion Roger Federer won Sunday's first match.



A member of the grounds staff sorts out players' names on the scoreboard Sunday. Rain washed out play on Wednesday and Saturday, causing dozens of matches to be rescheduled.



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